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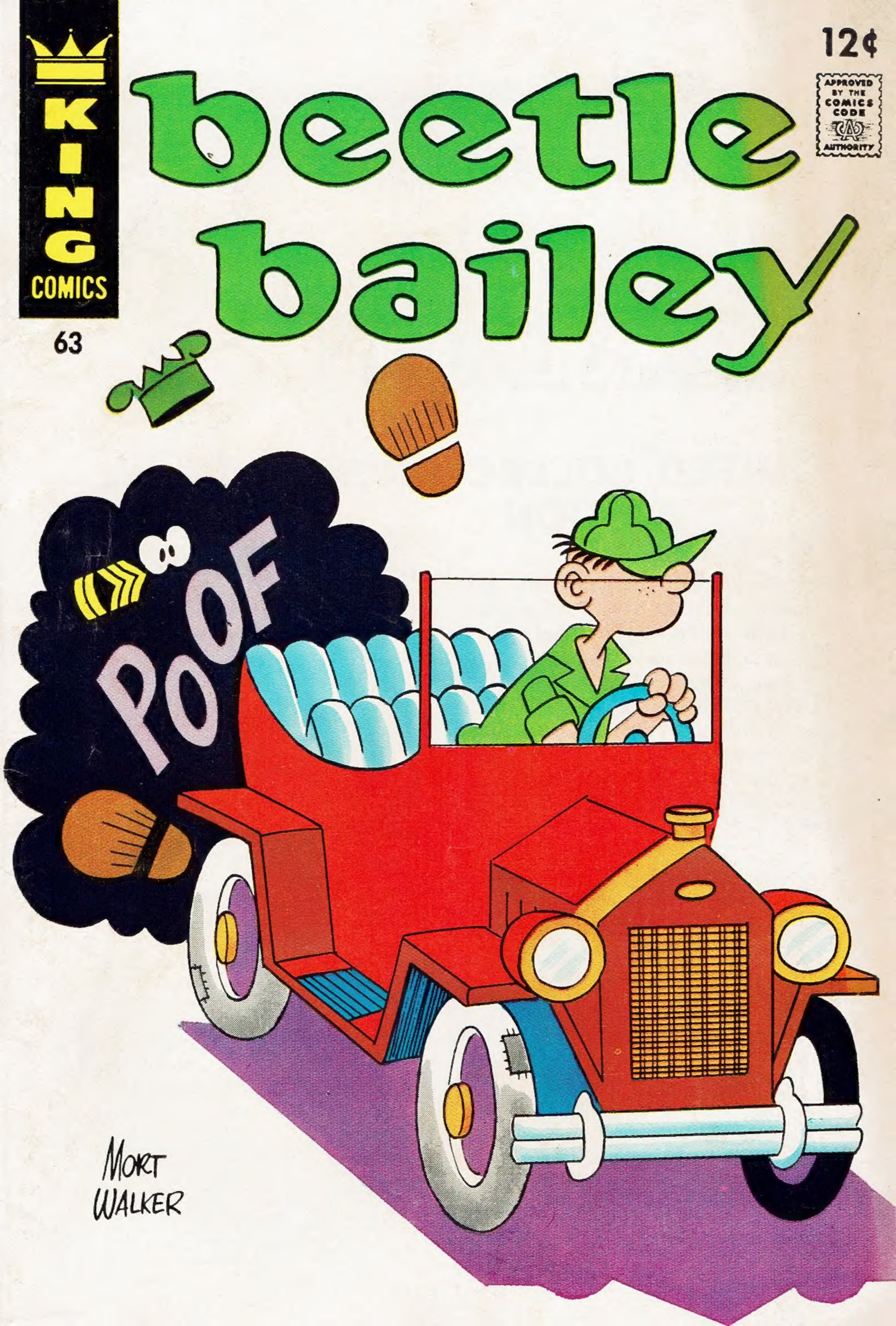

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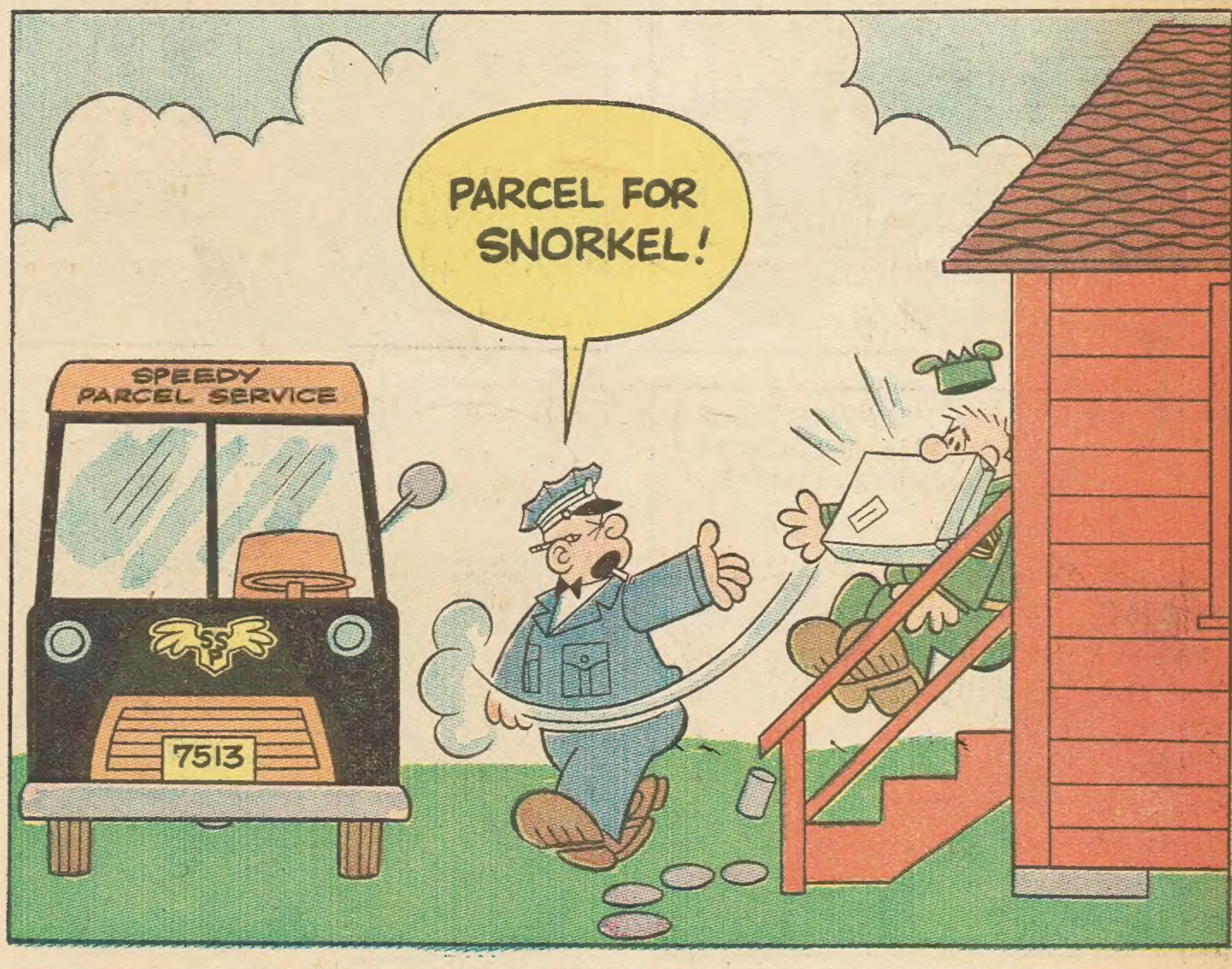

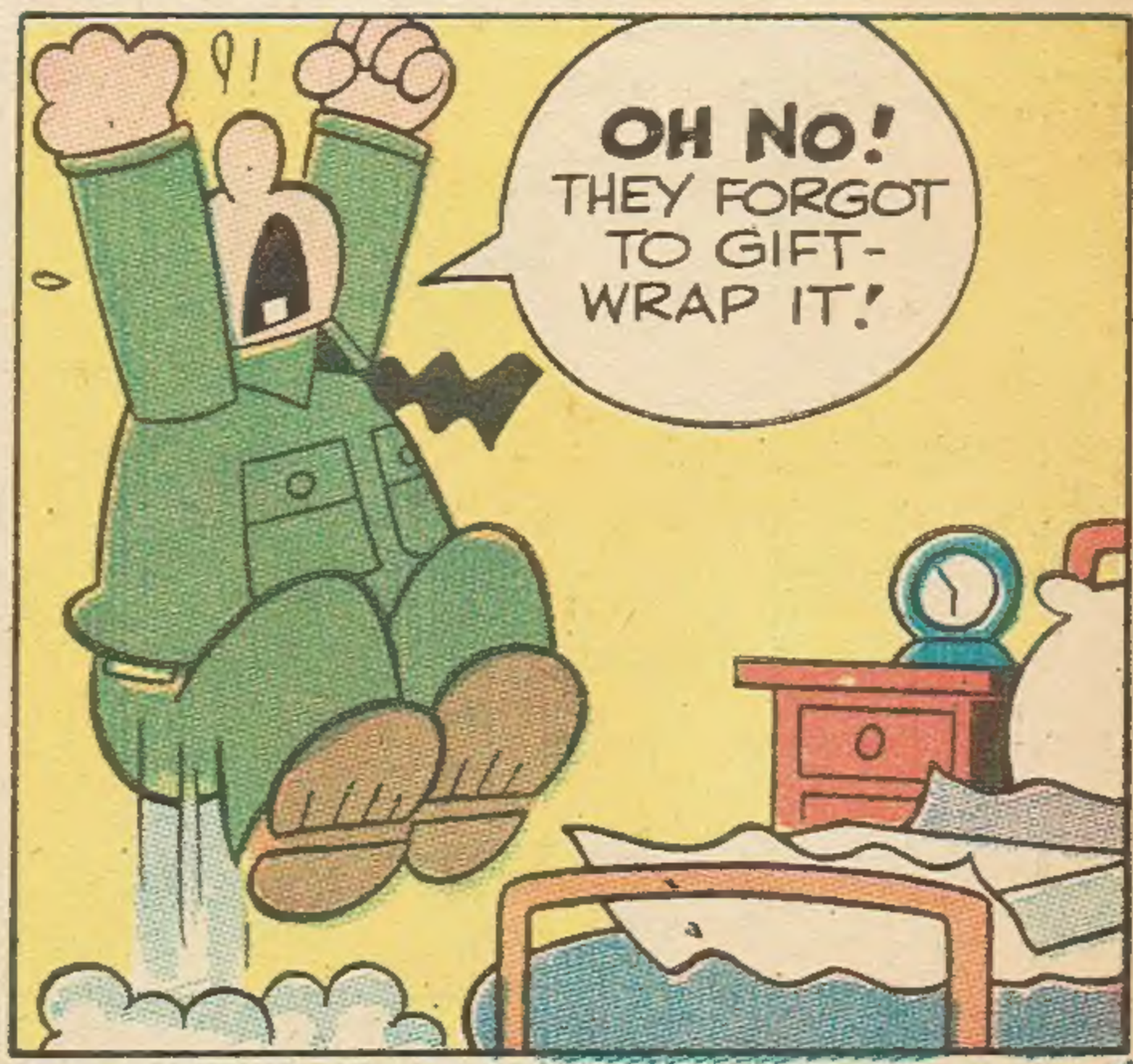

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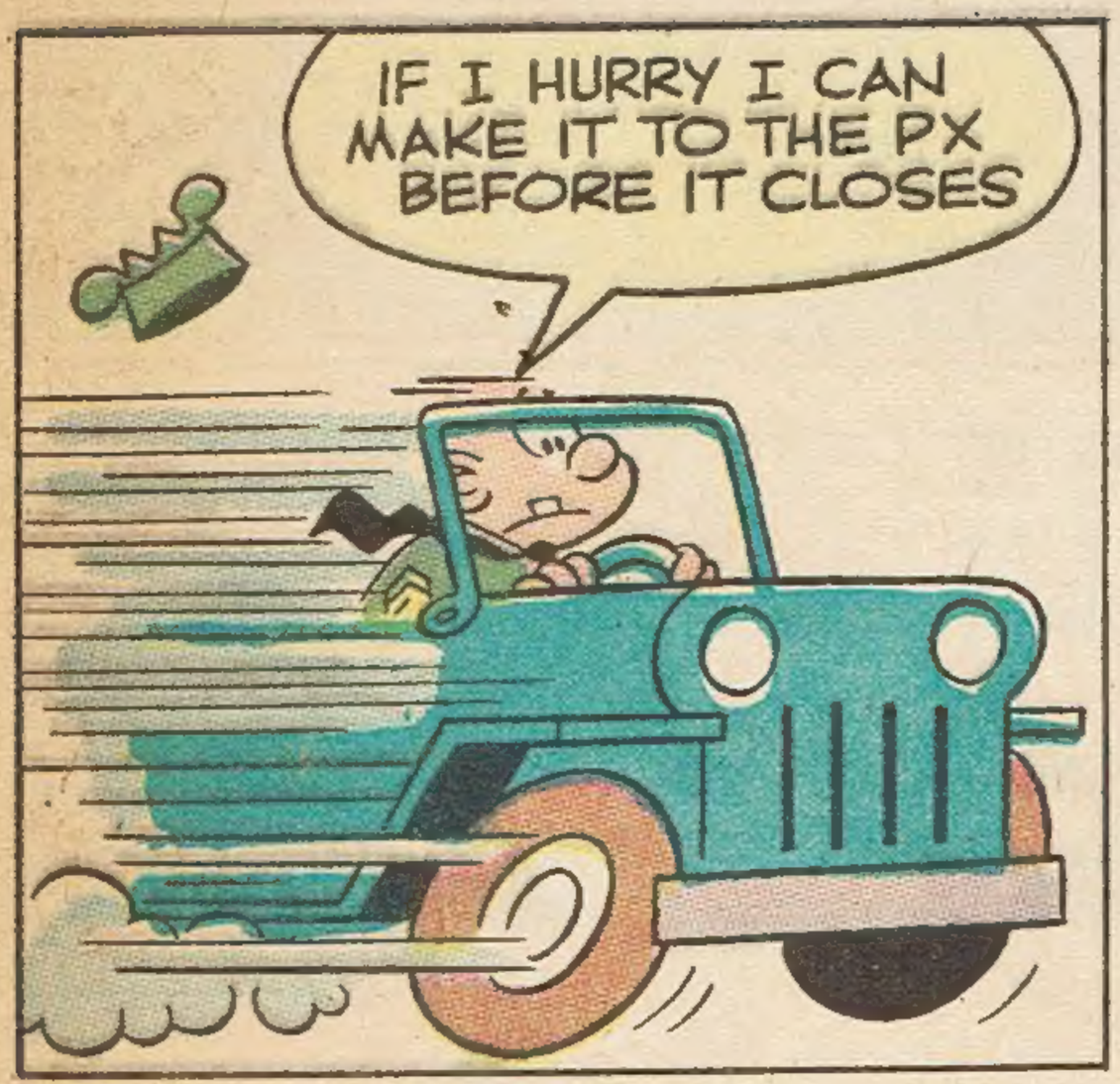

IF I HURRY I CAN MAKE IT TO THE PX BEFORE IT CLOSES

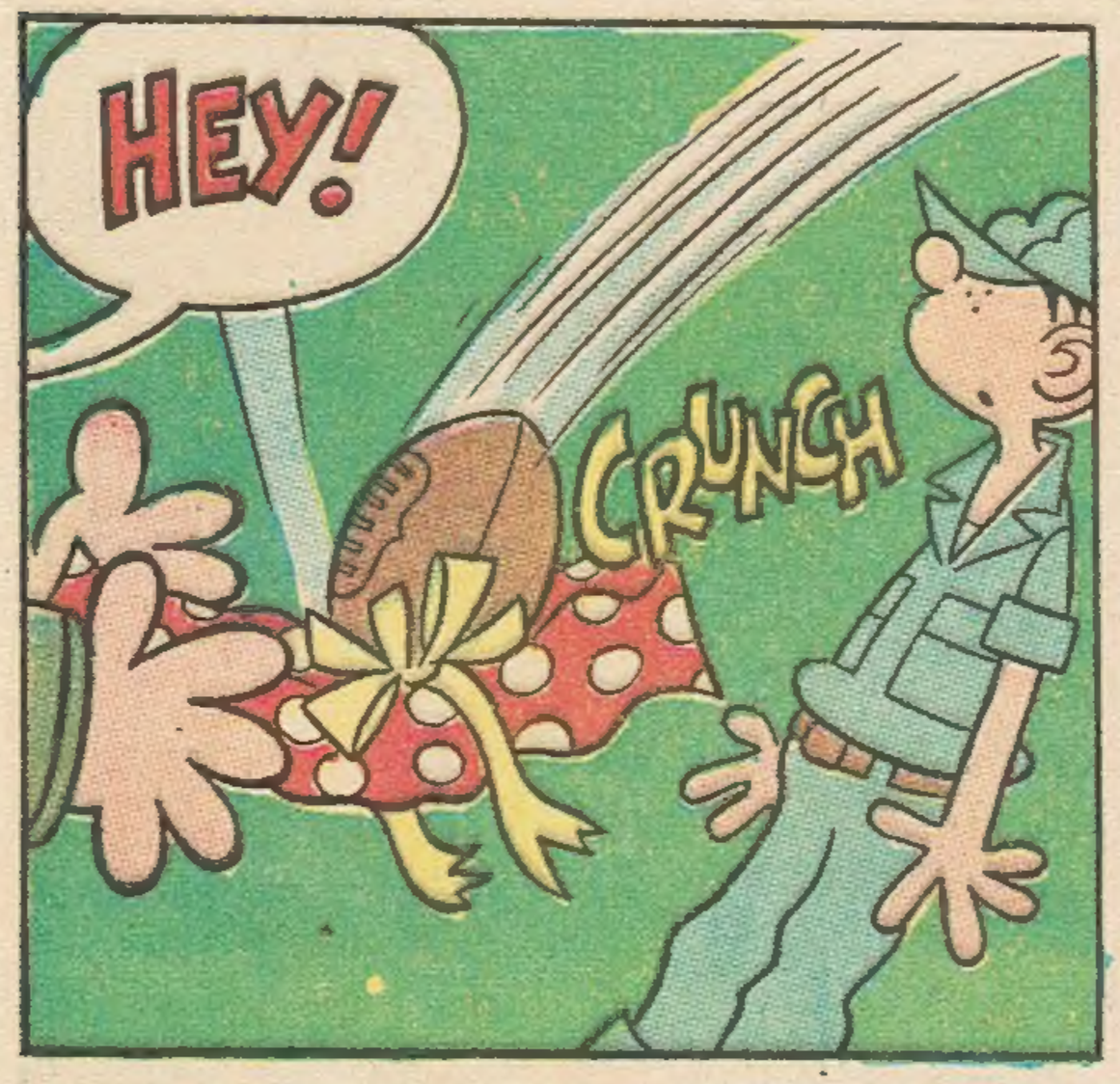
IT SURE IS HARD TO MAKE DECISIONS WITH SALES-PEOPLE HURRYING YOU UP!
POST EXCH

I'LL TRY ONCE MORE
NOW WHERE DID THE SCISSORS GO AGAIN?

IT STINKS!

SERVICE CLUB
THERE! HOW'S THAT, SERGEANT?
G-GOSH! THAT'S BEAUTIFUL!

GEE, SHE WAS SO PRETTY!
SERVICE CLUB
CATCH IT BEETLE!


HEY!
CRUNCH

MY EXPENSIVE WRAPPING PAPER!!
LET ME STRAIGHTEN IT OUT!

NOT THAT WAY!

THIS IS THE LAST BIT OF GIFT WRAPPING PAPER I HAVE LEFT!

HE DOESN'T LIKE IT.

GRRR!

OTTO

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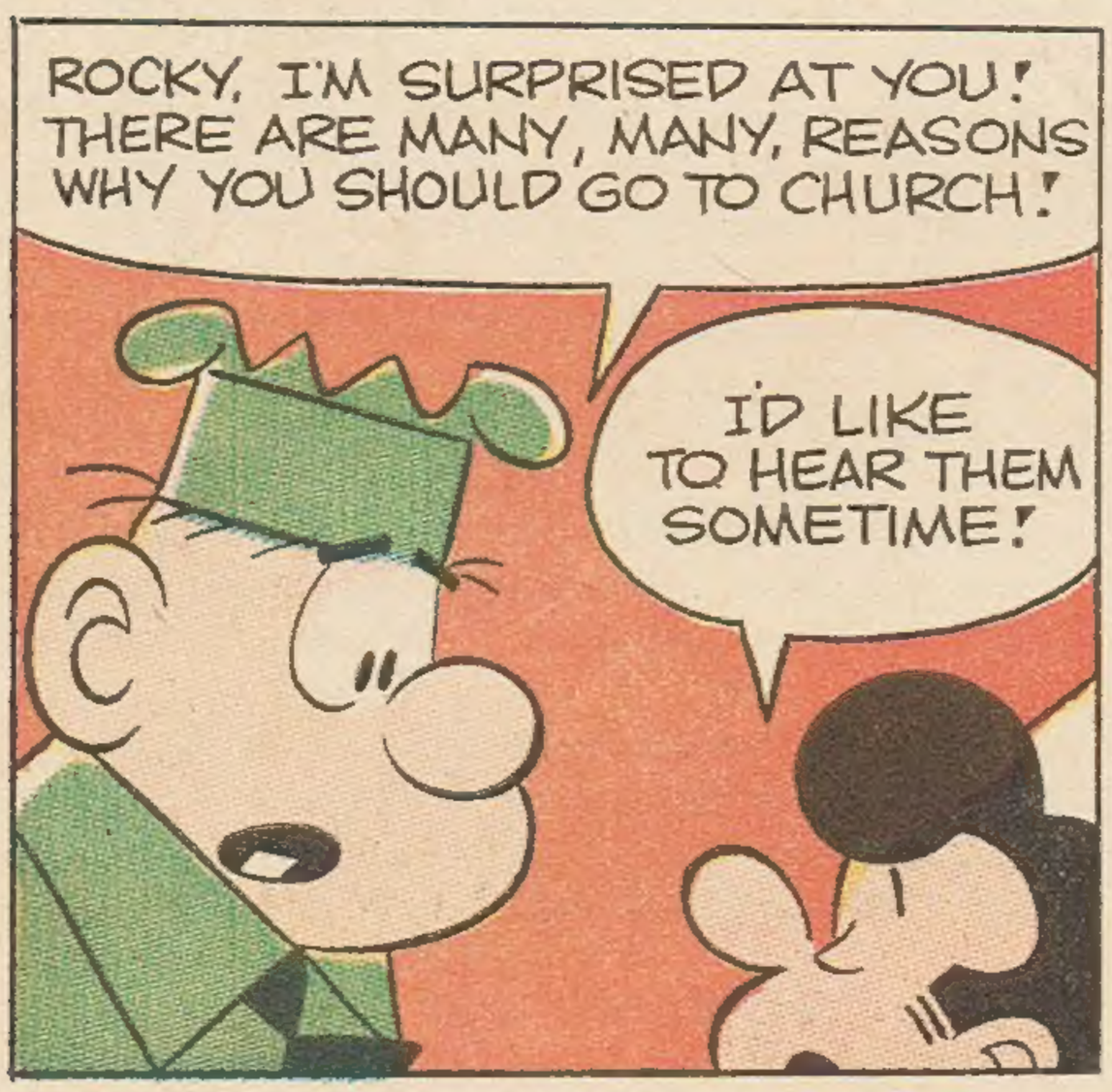
GENTLE PERSUADER



Military Madness

Crossing the Atlantic on a troop ship, a couple of soldiers were standing at the ship's rail. They had been carrying on a desultory conversation as they gazed across the limitless expanse of water. Suddenly one of them straightened, glared intently at a huge wave directly in front of him, then turned with a puzzled expression to his companion.

"I hope the Captain knows what he's doing," he said in a worried tone. "I'm sure this isn't the same way we came before."

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The troops were crossing the desert when they chanced to come upon a family of Nomads under the burning desert sun. The husband was riding a camel and his wife was plodding along behind, carrying a baby. After an exchange of greetings a soldier ventured a mild criticism of the domestic transport arrangements.

"Why don't you let your wife ride"? he asked.

"She can't," replied the native. "She hasn't got a camel."

* * *

A new recruit who was a ranch hand before enlisting in the army, was nonchalantly displaying his skill in rolling cigarettes with one hand. A soldier from the East expressed his admiration. "Shucks, rolling them ain't much," said the ex-cowhand. "It's getting the filter in that's the trick!"

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After competing in a rifle tournament, the young G.I. was downcast by his poor performance. He turned his card in to the top sergeant, and remarked, "I feel like shooting myself; look at this score!"

The sergeant studied the card, then murmured, "Better take two bullets."

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G.I. POET: "Do you think I should put more fire into my poetry?"

CAMP NEWS EDITOR: "No, I thing I should put more of your poetry into the fire."

* * *

A general, who was something of an efficiency expert, was making the rounds of a base, and he asked the first soldier he met: "Just what are you working on"?

"Nothing at the moment," admitted the G.I.

The general nodded, made a note in his pad, and walked to the next soldier. "What are you working on"? he asked.

"Nothing," said the second G.I.

"Hmm," said the general making another note, "duplication."

Attendant: "Do you wish to consult with Madame Moo Goo, the great Chinese mystic?"

Soldier: "Yes, tell her her son is here from the Bronx."

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R. B. Jones doesn't have a first or middle name, only the initials, which never were a problem until old R. B. went into the Army. The Army is not accustomed to initials as names. When R. B.'s official forms were filled out, his name was entered as R (only) B (only) Jones.

Sure enough, when R. B. got his first pay check, it was made out to Private Ronly Bonly Jones.

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A young officer complained to his wife of aches and pains. This went on for two weeks. One day he returned home feeling better.

"I found out what was wrong," he told his wife. "We got some ultramodern office furniture two weeks ago, and I just learned I've been sitting in the wastebasket."

* * *

The detail was out digging trenches, but one G.I. complained to the Sarge. "I've been on this detail for two days and I still haven't got a shovel or a pick!"

"What're you complaining about," said Sarge. "You're the foreman—you don't have to work!"

"It's not that," said the G.I. "All the other guys at least have something to lean on!"

* * *

Sarge: "Bailey, how long have you been working here"?

Bailey (at desk): "Ever since I heard you coming down the hall."

* * *

Sarge handed Beetle Bailey an IOU and said, "Where's my five bucks? This I.O.U. is one year old!"

The next day, Sarge opened his mail and discovered that he had the I. O. U. back. To it was attached another note: "Happy Birthday."

* * *

A homecoming G.I. got a job as a reporter on a small town newspaper.

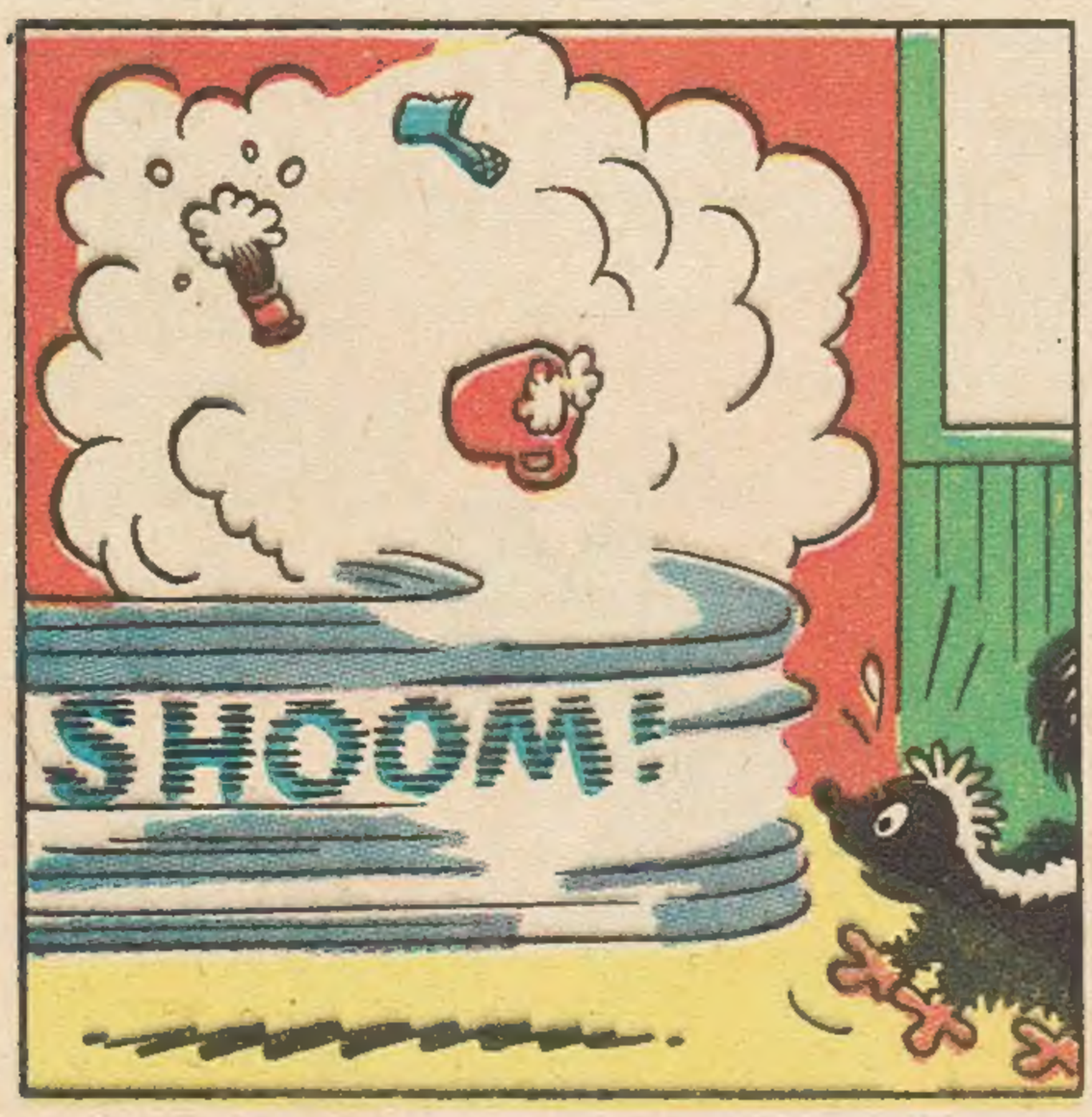
"Be brief!" the city editor told him, and kept repeating to him. "Always be brief."

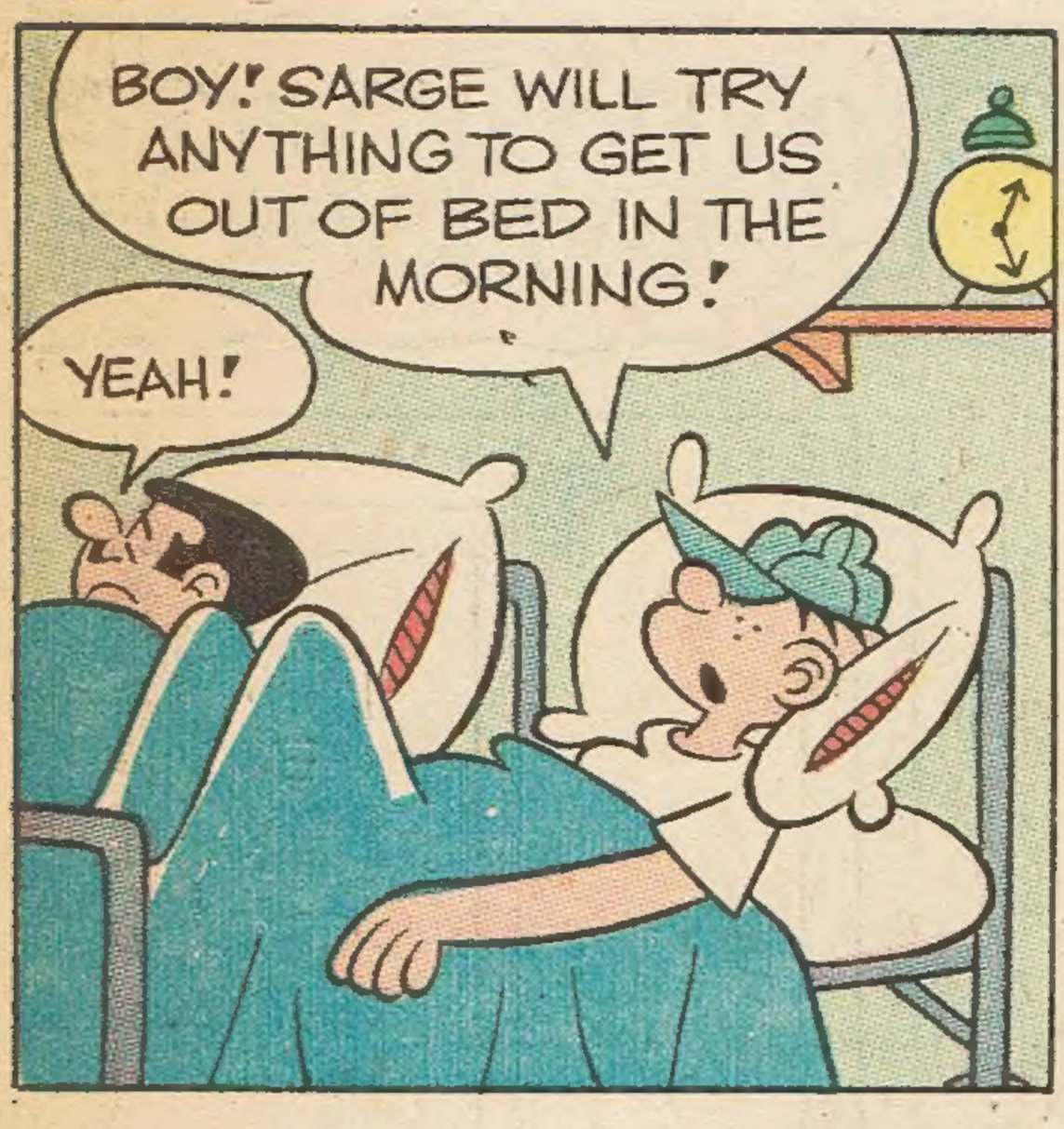
The next day the ex-G.I. turned in his first story: "James Smith looked up the shaft at the Tower Hotel today to see if the elevator was coming down. It was. Age 33."

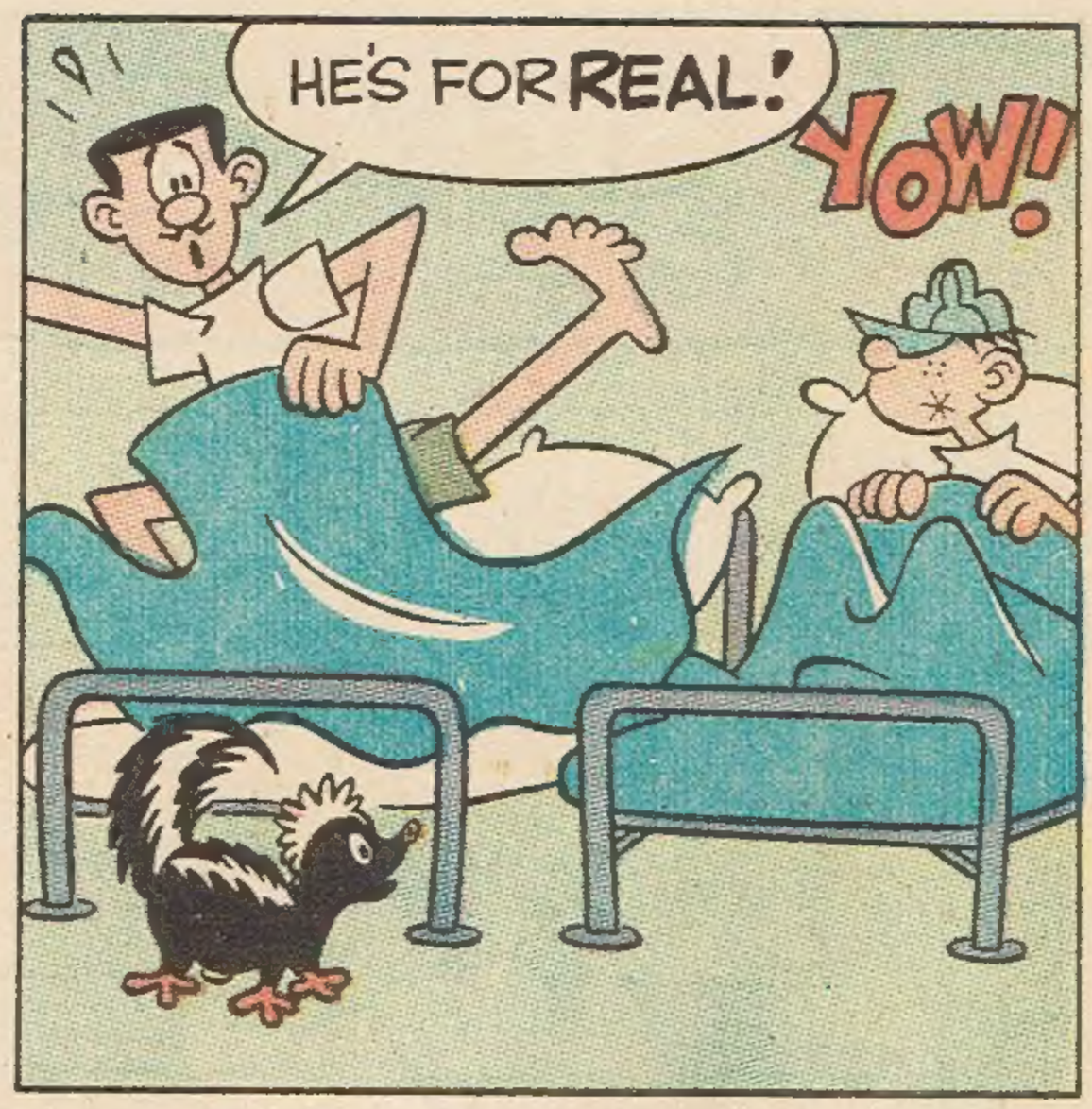
* * *

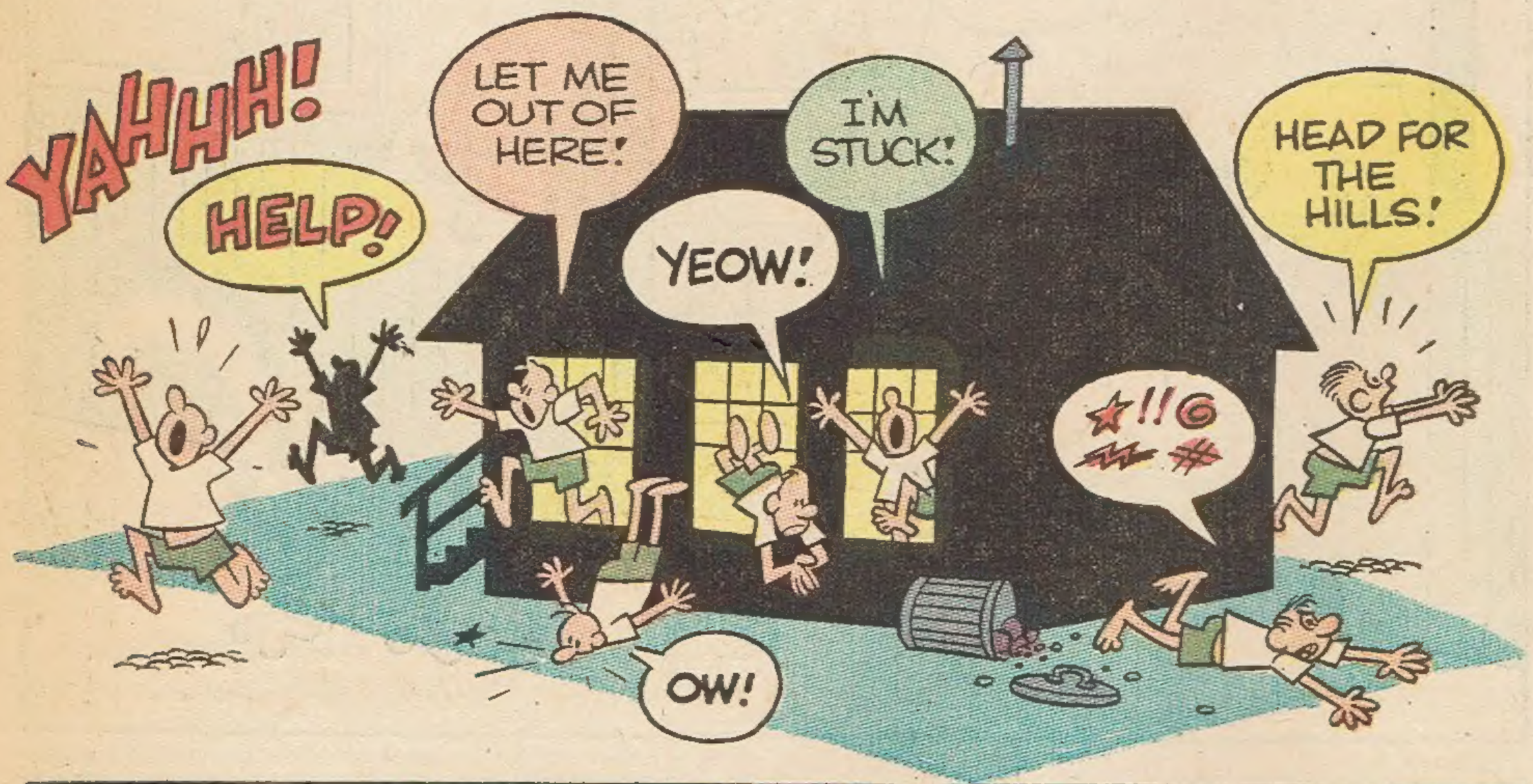
Beetle Bailey was assigned to work out a filing system for the new chaplain. The next morning the Chaplain walked into his office and saw two drawers. One was labeled "Sacred" and the other "Top Sacred."

Beetle Bailey in SKUNK in the BUNKHOUSE



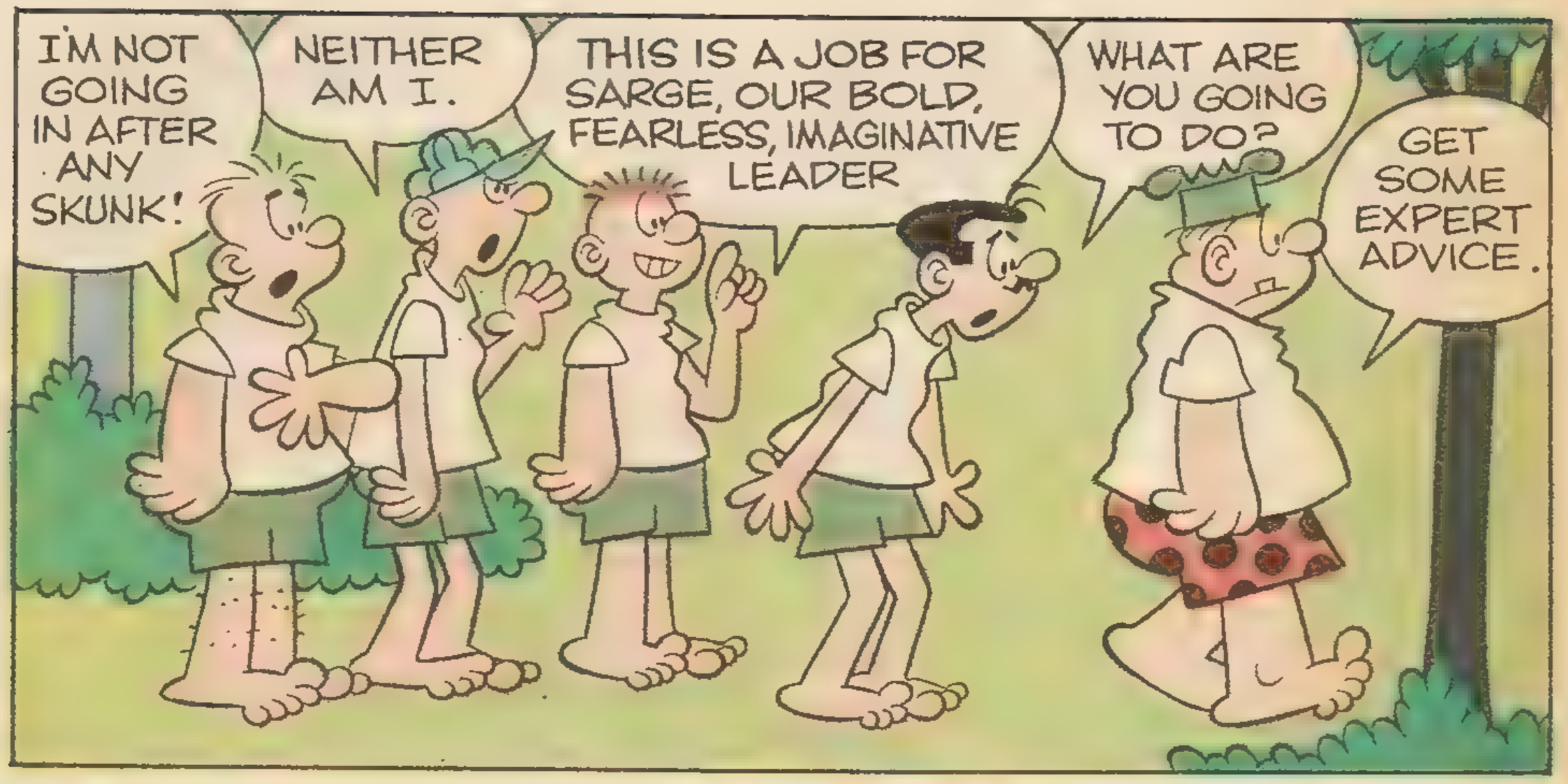

BOY! SARGE WILL TRY ANYTHING TO GET US OUT OF BED IN THE MORNING!
YEAH!


HE'S FOR REAL!
YOW!


YAHHH!
HELP!
LET ME OUT OF HERE!
I'M STUCK!
YEOW!
HEAD FOR THE HILLS!
OW!

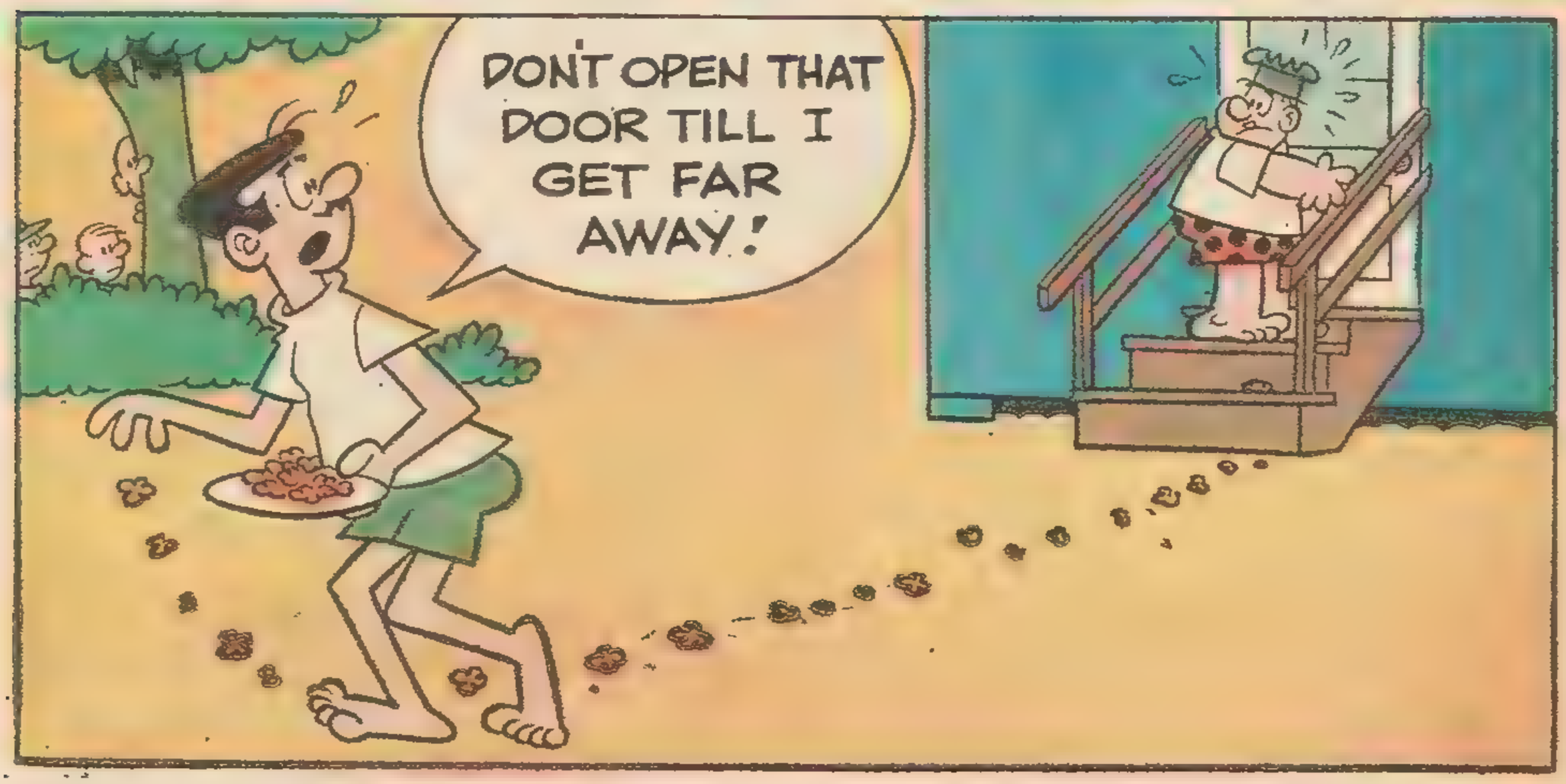
DID EVERYBODY GET OUT?
WHERE'S BEETLE?
OVER THERE!

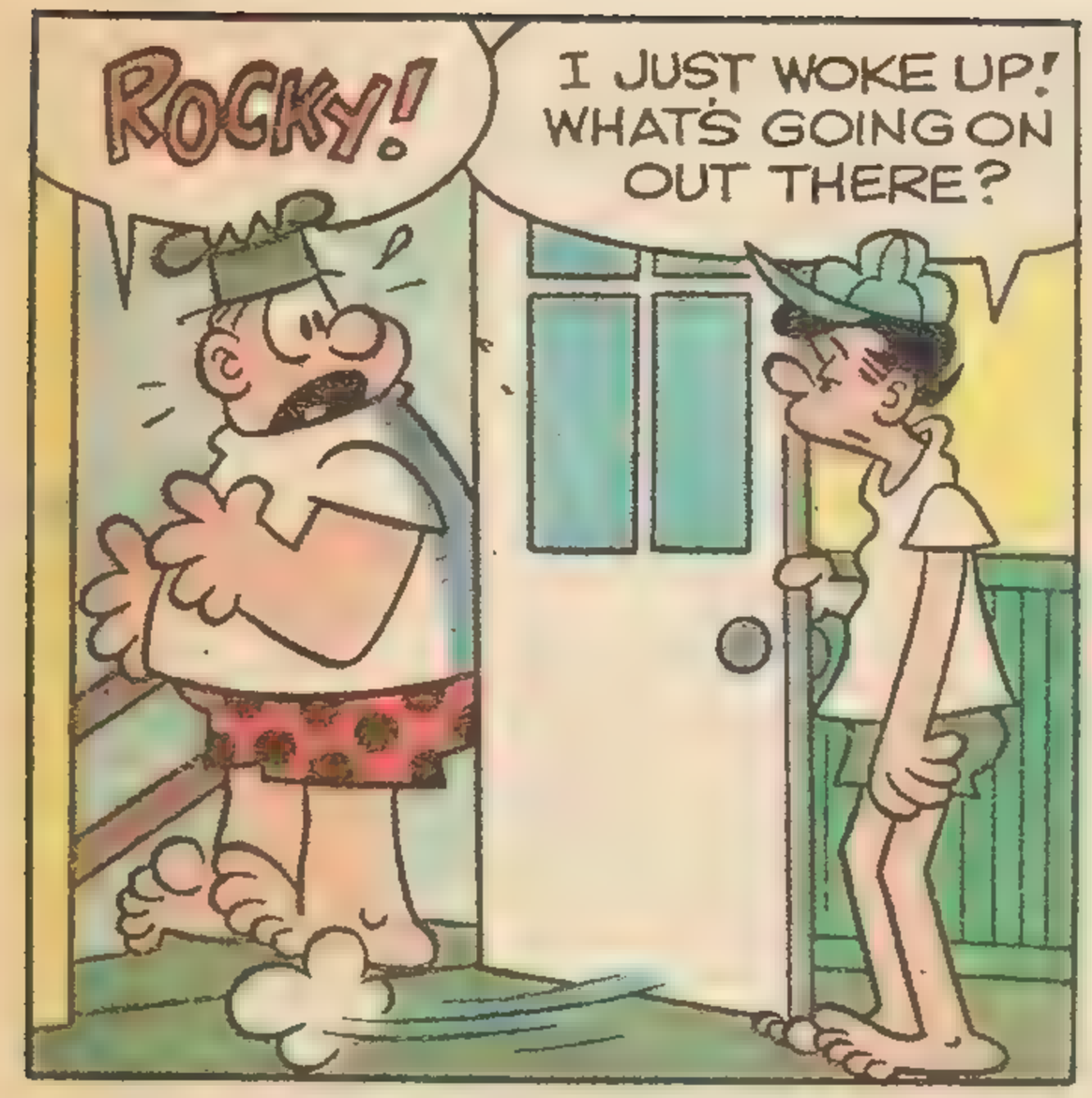
WAKE ME UP WHEN YOU GET RID OF THAT SKUNK!


I'M NOT GOING IN AFTER ANY SKUNK!
NEITHER AM I.
THIS IS A JOB FOR SARGE, OUR BOLD, FEARLESS, IMAGINATIVE LEADER
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
GET SOME EXPERT ADVICE.

HOW DO YOU GET RID OF A SKUNK IN THE BARRACKS?

SKUNKS LIKE MEAT. OPEN YOUR BARRACKS DOOR AND MAKE A TRAIL OF HAMBURGER OUT TO THE BACK YARD

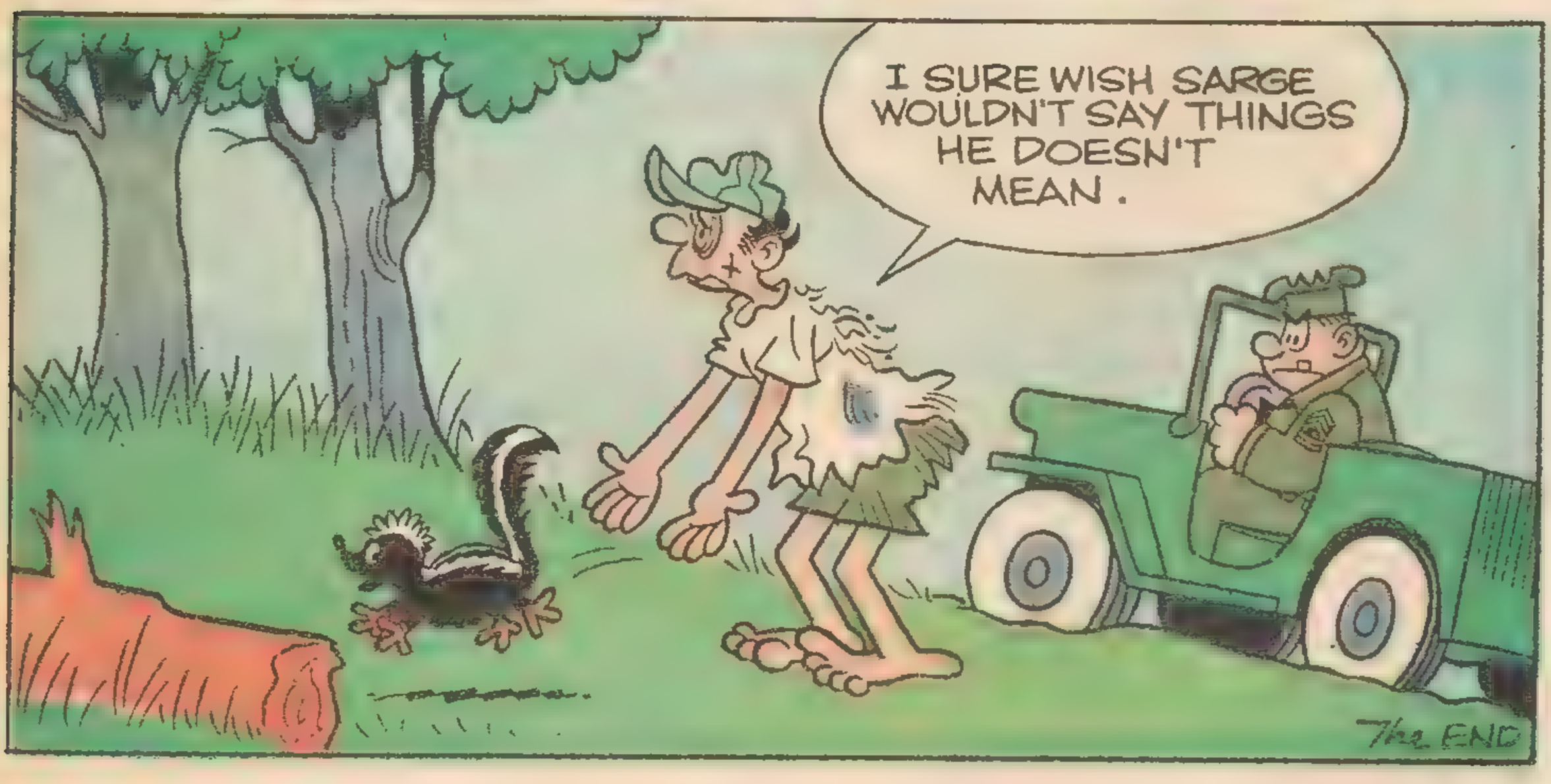

DON'T OPEN THAT DOOR TILL I GET FAR AWAY!


ROCKY!
I JUST WOKE UP! WHAT'S GOING ON OUT THERE?

RUN! THERE'S A SKUNK IN THERE!

DON'T WORRY! ADOLF IS TAME. I BROUGHT HIM IN LAST NIGHT

HE'LL BE PERFECT FOR OUR COMPANY MASCOT, SARGE. YOU'RE ALWAYS SAYING WHAT A STINKY OUTFIT WE ARE!


I SURE WISH SARGE WOULDN'T SAY THINGS HE DOESN'T MEAN.
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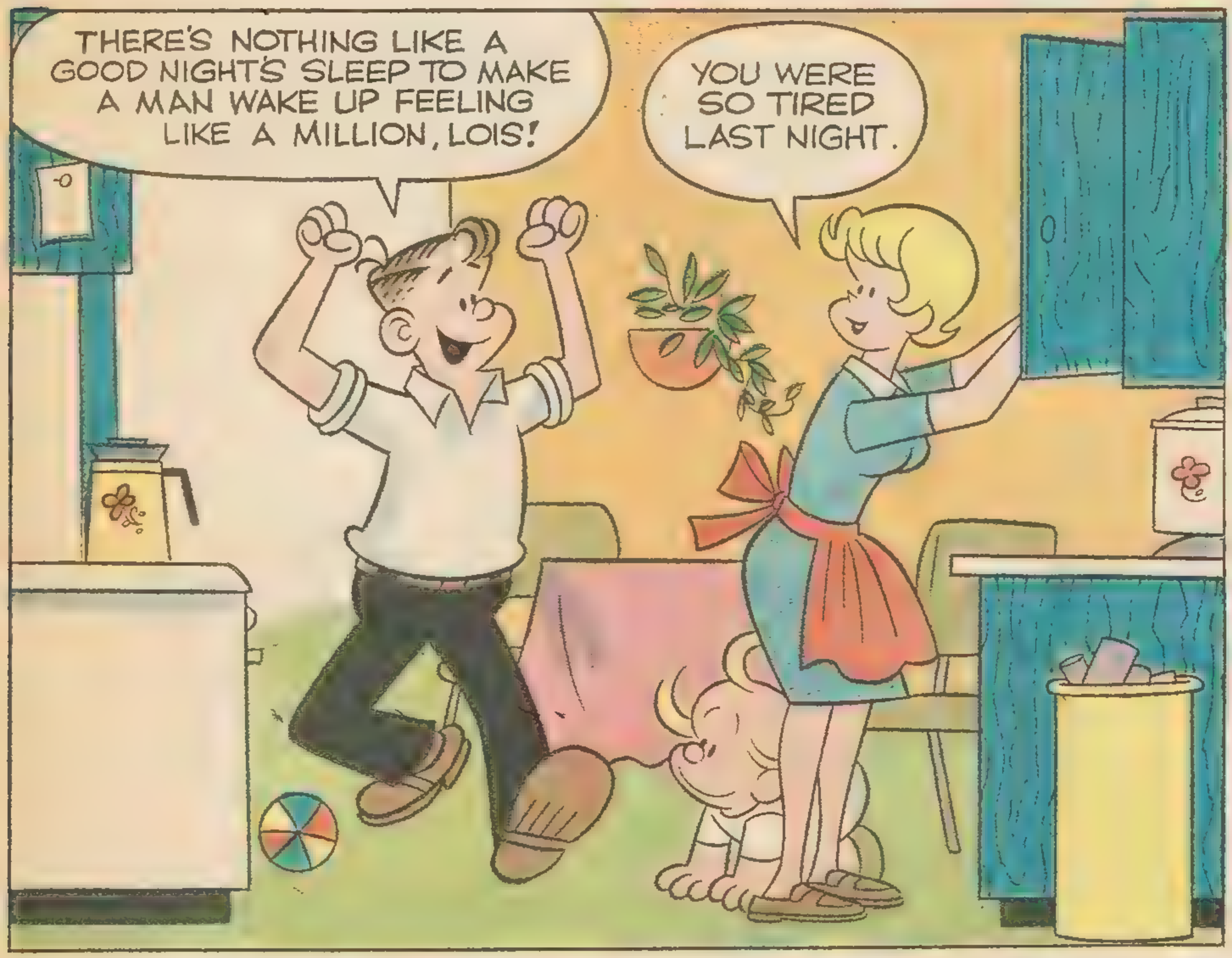
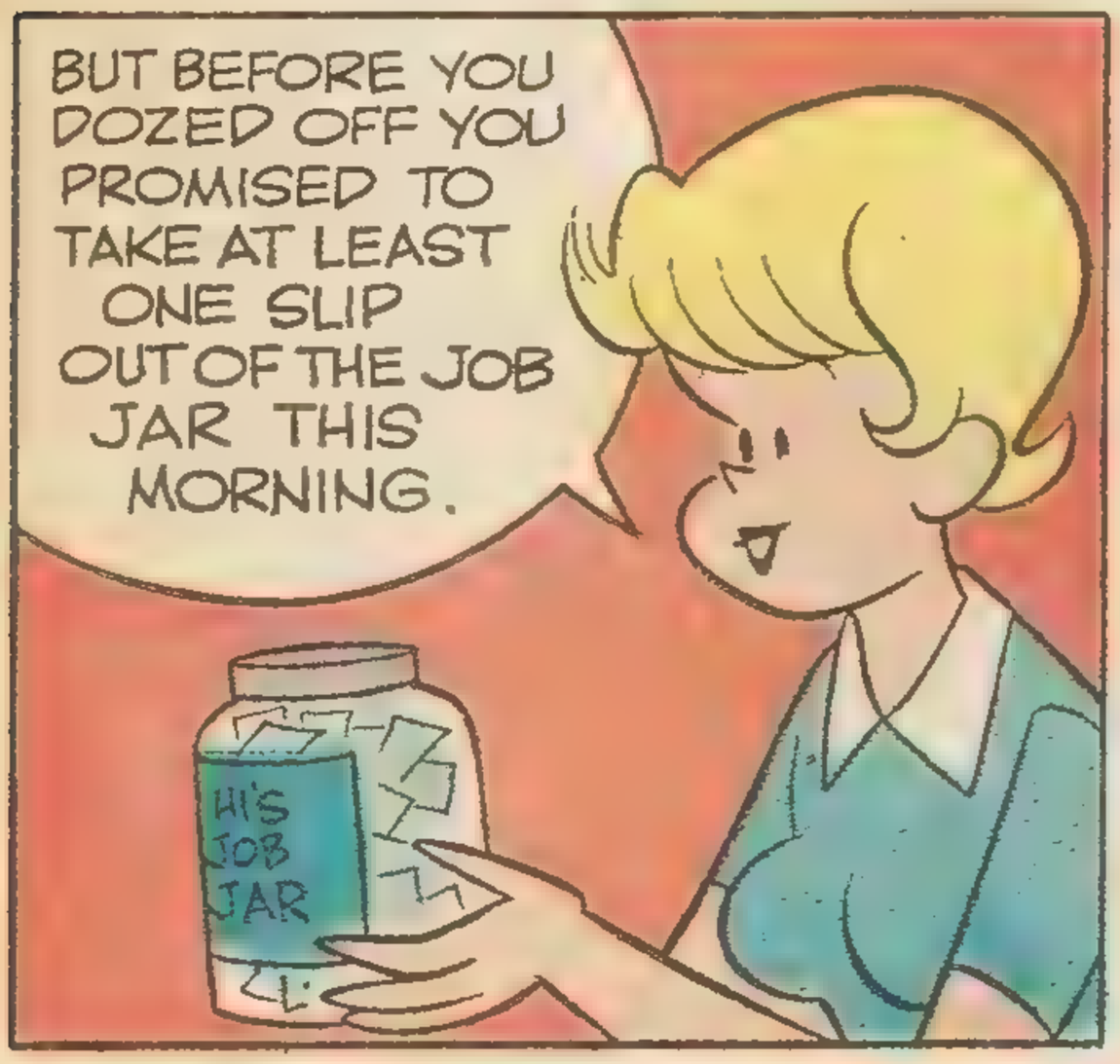
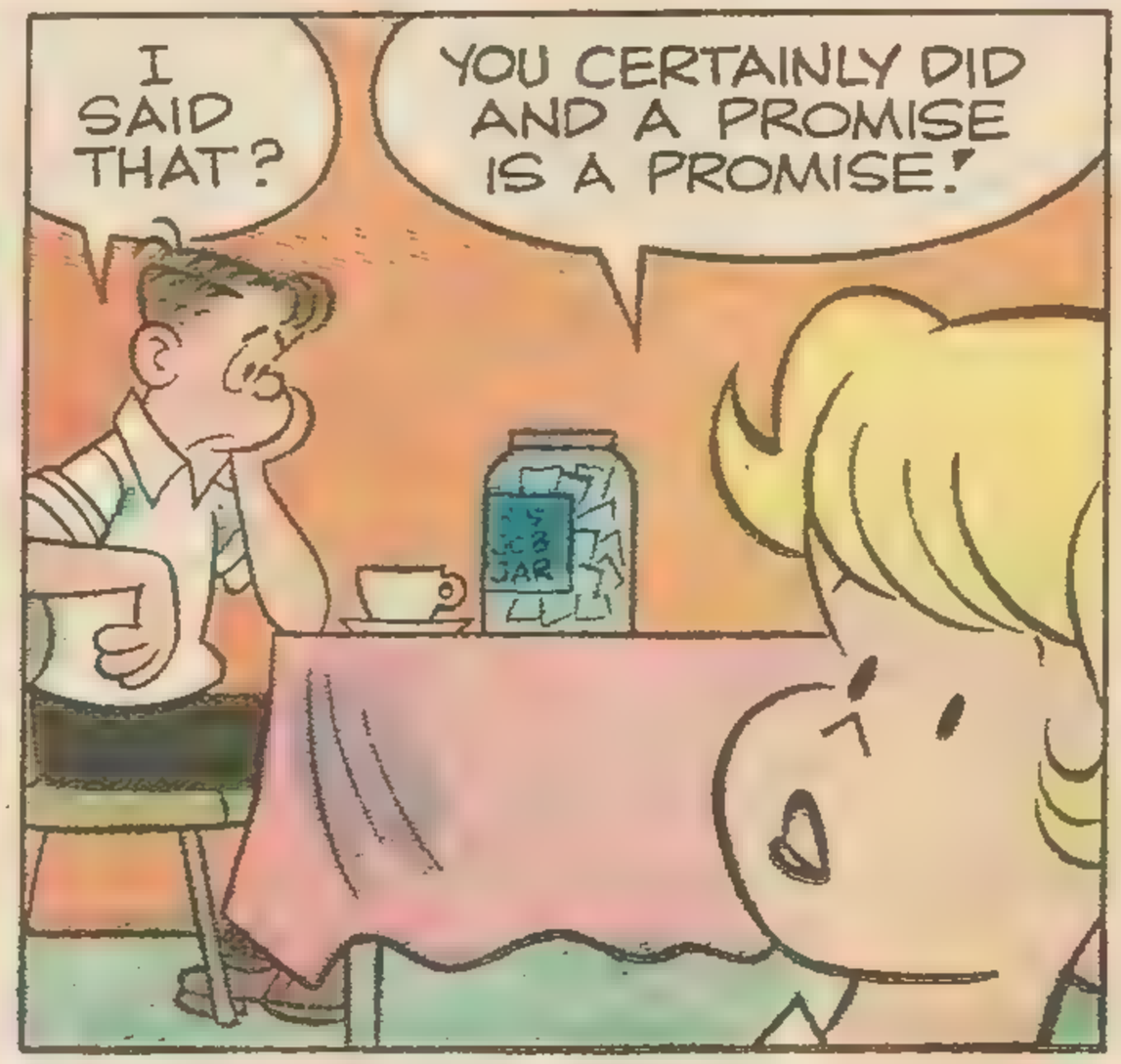
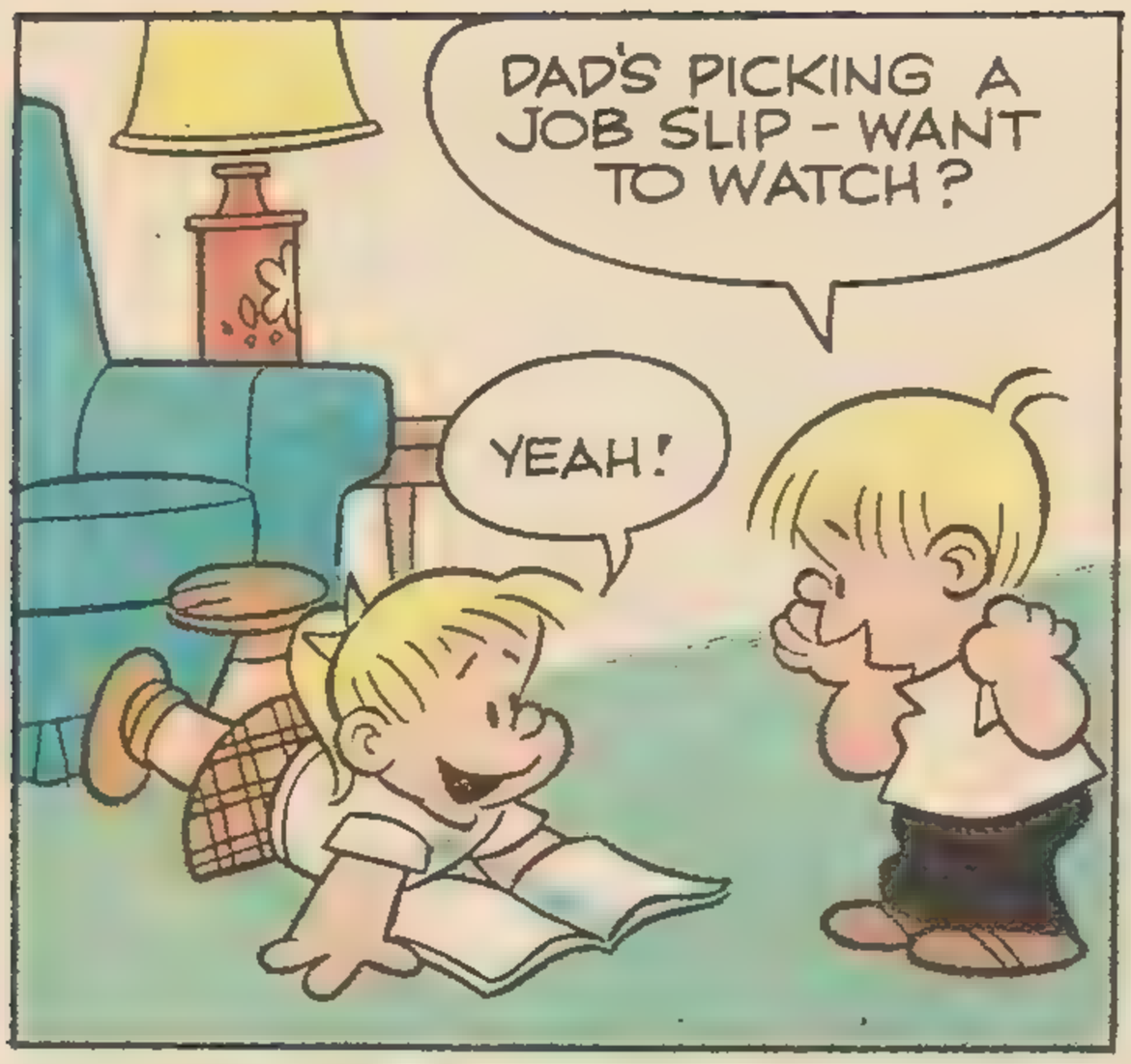
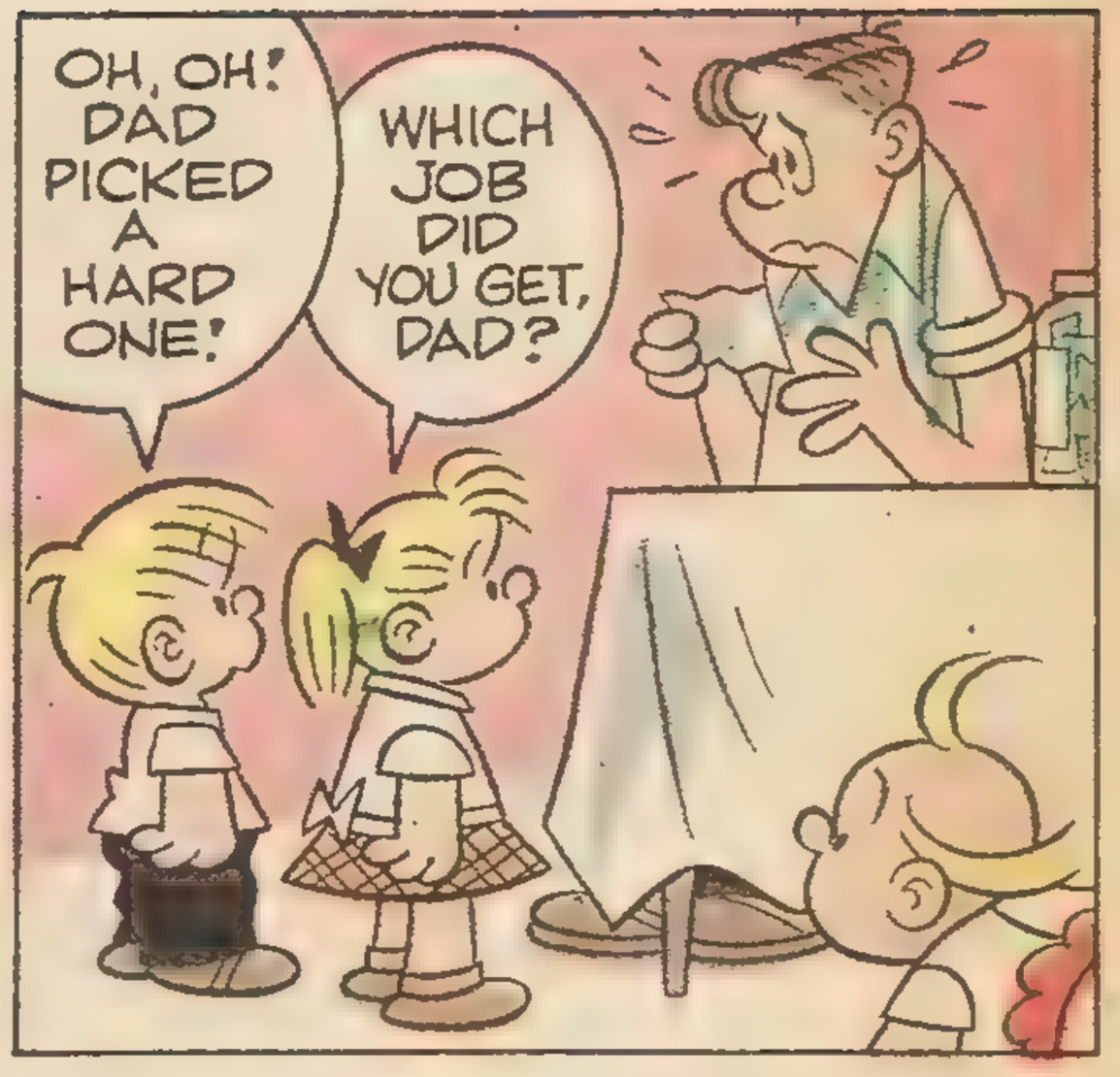
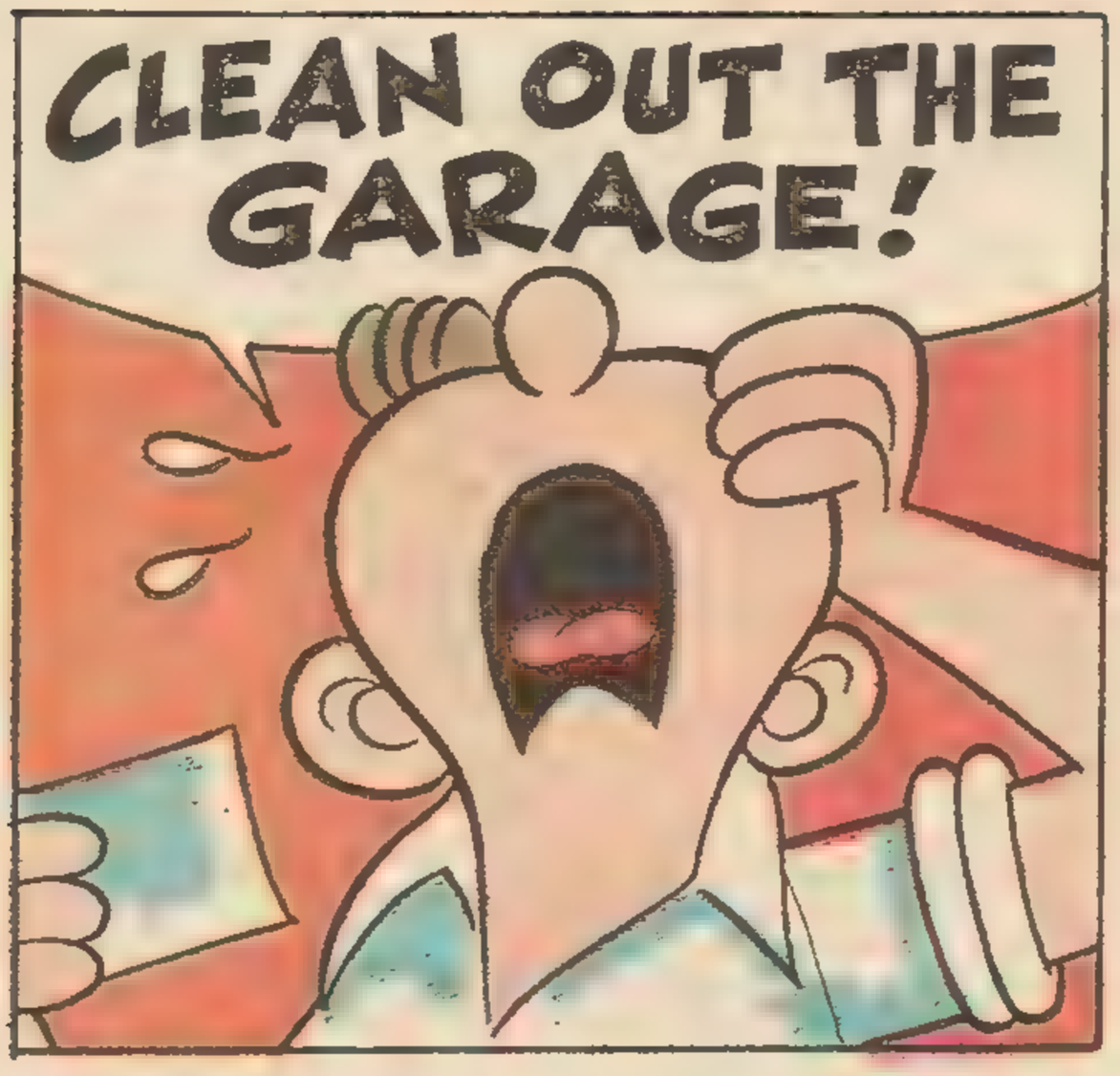


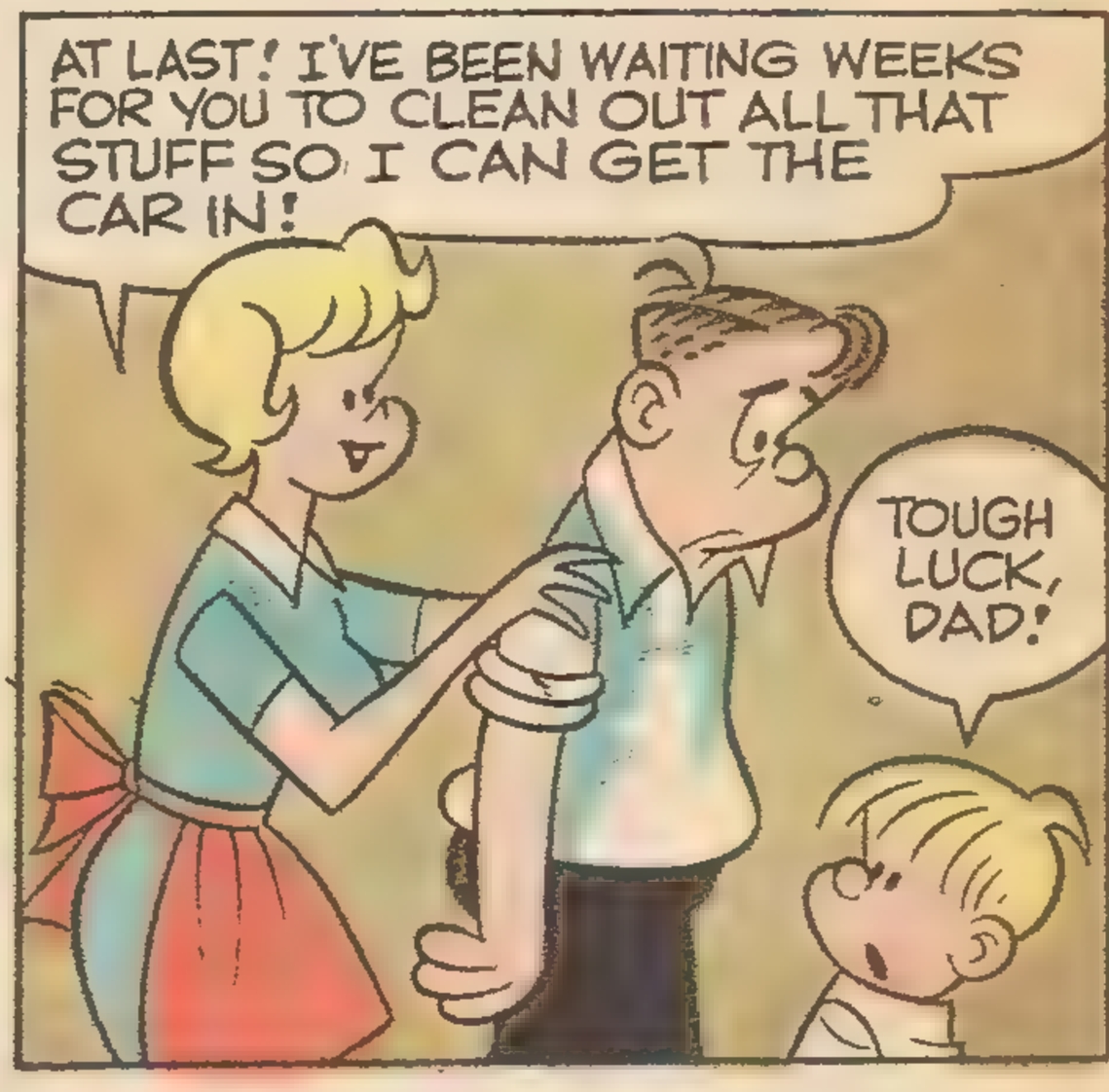


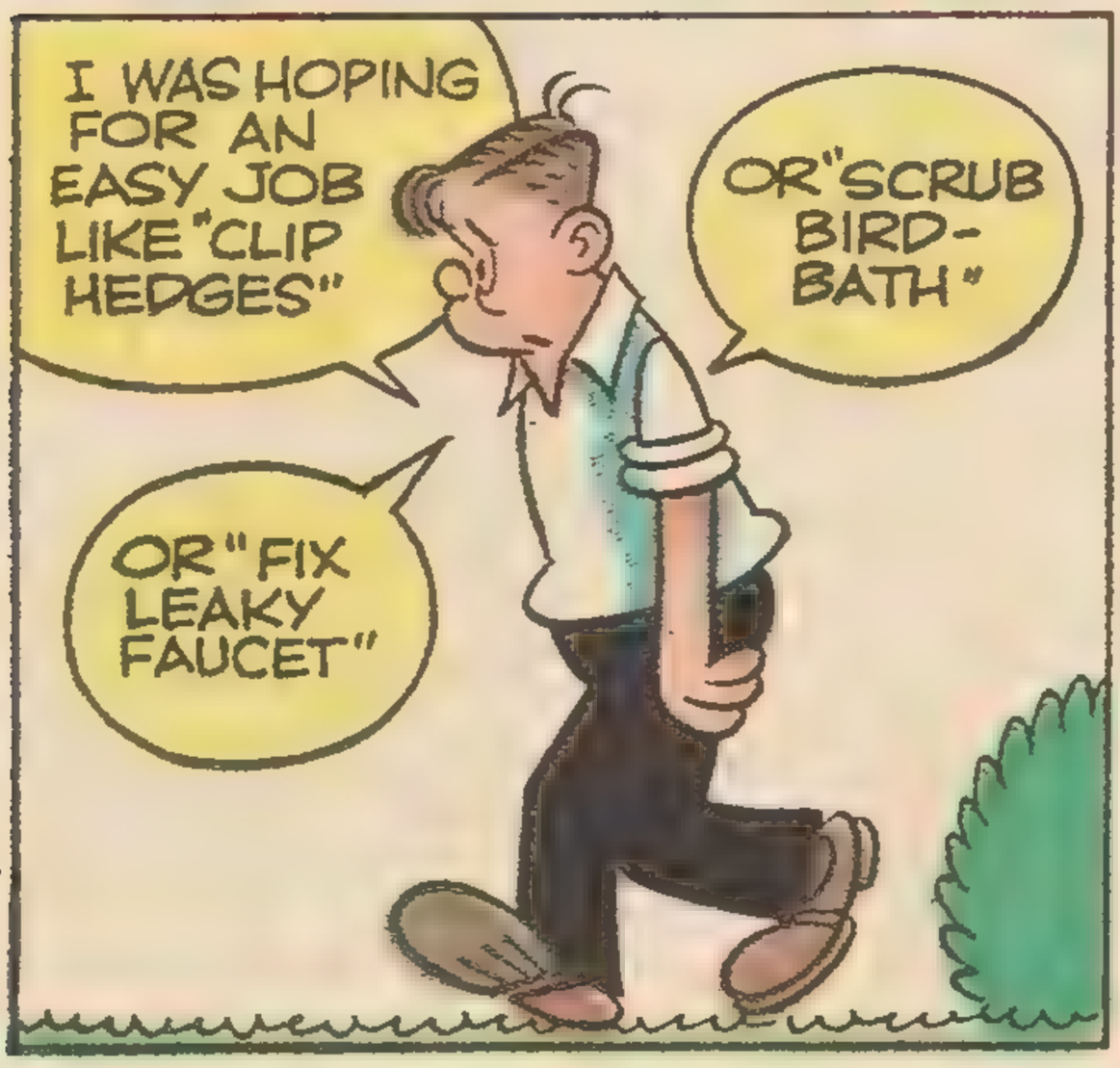



DAD'S PICKING A JOB SLIP - WANT TO WATCH?
YEAH!

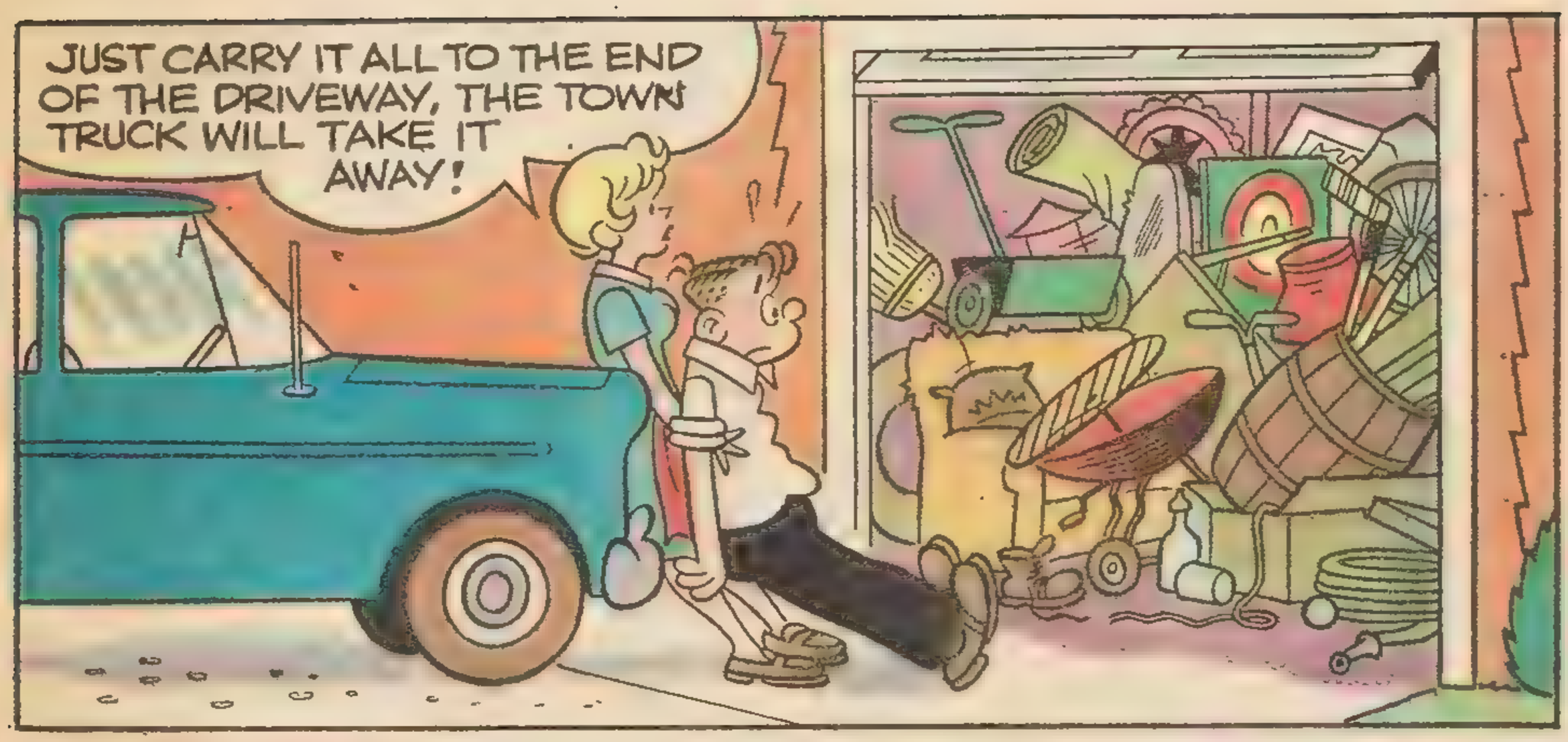

OH, OH! DAD PICKED A HARD ONE!
WHICH JOB DID YOU GET, DAD?


CLEAN OUT THE GARAGE!

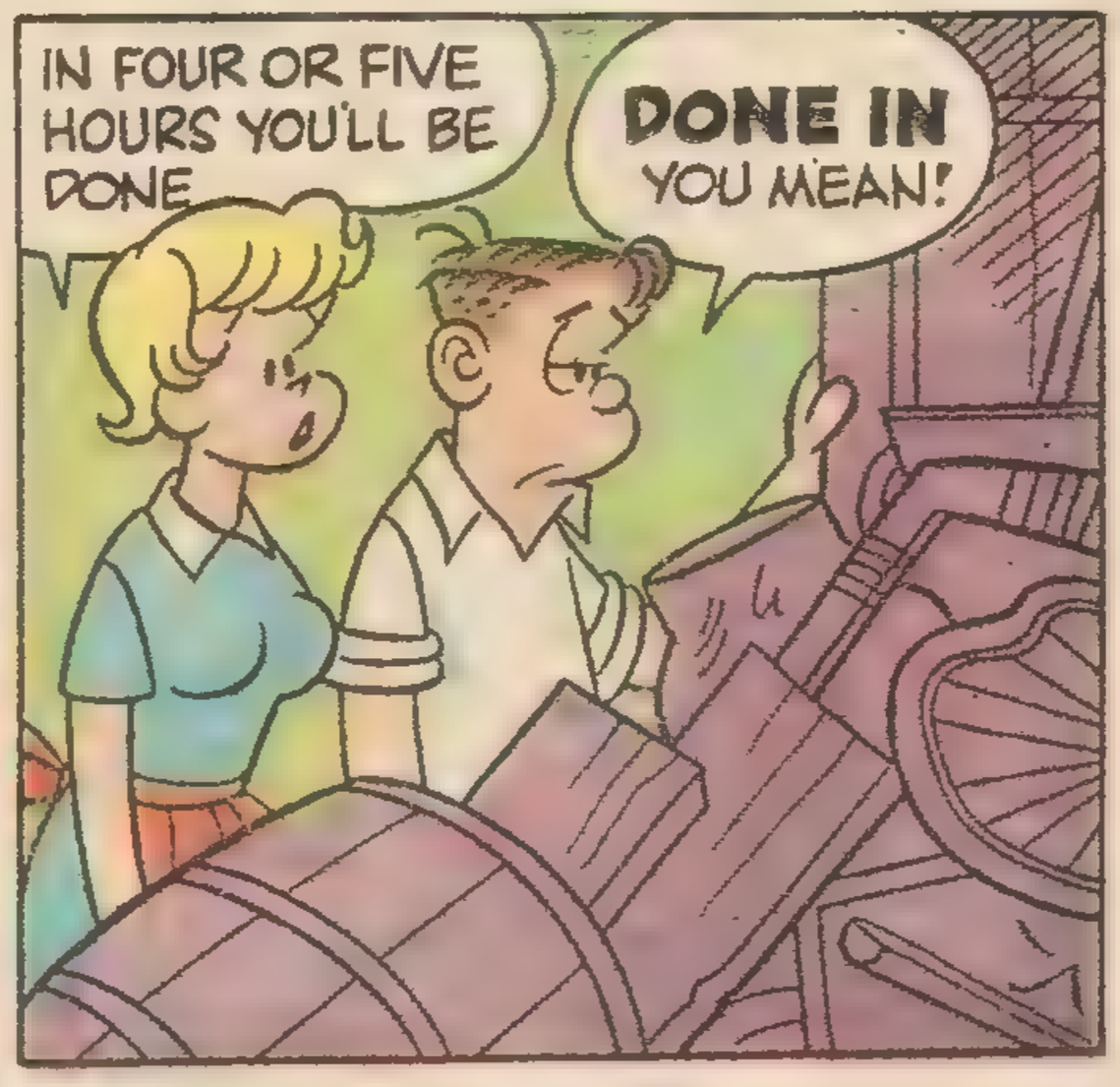

AT LAST! I'VE BEEN WAITING WEEKS FOR YOU TO CLEAN OUT ALL THAT STUFF SO I CAN GET THE CAR IN!
TOUGH LUCK, DAD!


I WAS HOPING FOR AN EASY JOB LIKE "CLIP HEDGES"
OR "SCRUB BIRD-BATH"
OR "FIX LEAKY FAUCET"

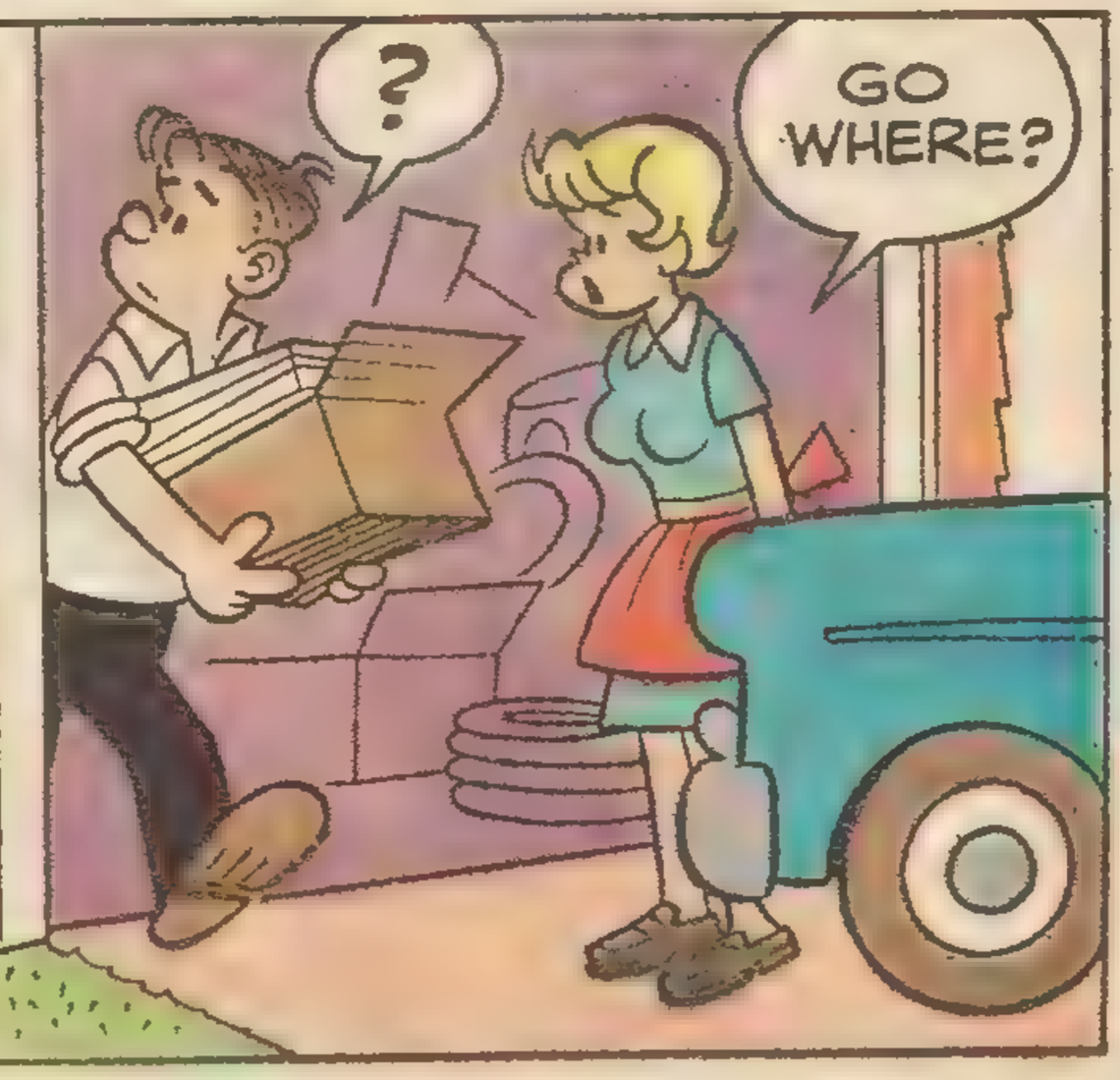
I HATE TO LOOK!


JUST CARRY IT ALL TO THE END OF THE DRIVEWAY, THE TOWN TRUCK WILL TAKE IT AWAY!

YOU MAKE IT SOUND SO EASY!


IN FOUR OR FIVE HOURS YOU'LL BE DONE
DONE IN YOU MEAN!

OH, THERE YOU ARE, DAD – READY TO GO?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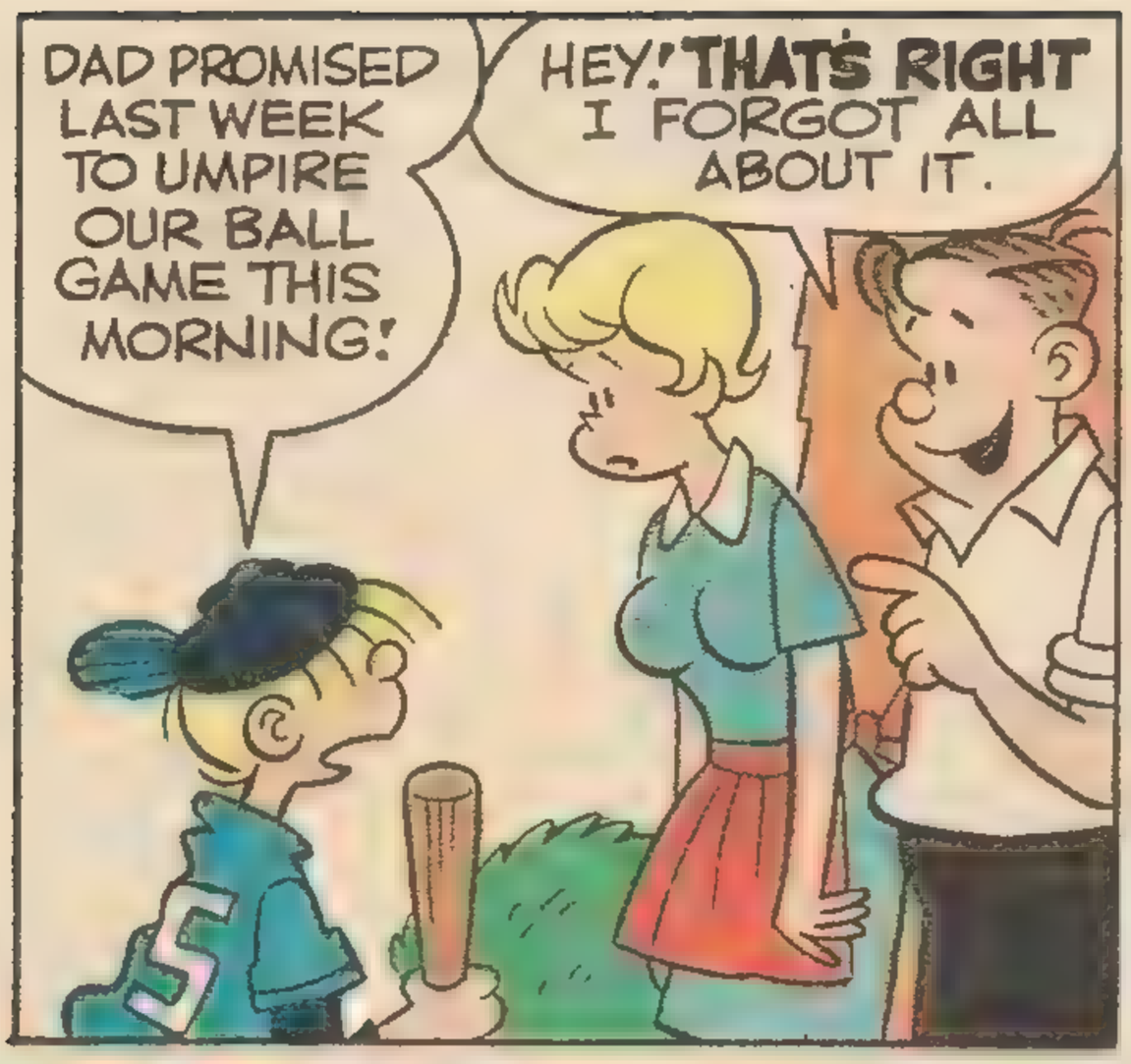
GO WHERE?



WE SURE HAVE A SWELL DAD... RIGHT, MOM ?

HE'S ALWAYS SO WILLING TO DROP EVERYTHING AND HELP OUT 'JS KIDS. RIGHT, MOM ?

RIGHT!

VROOM

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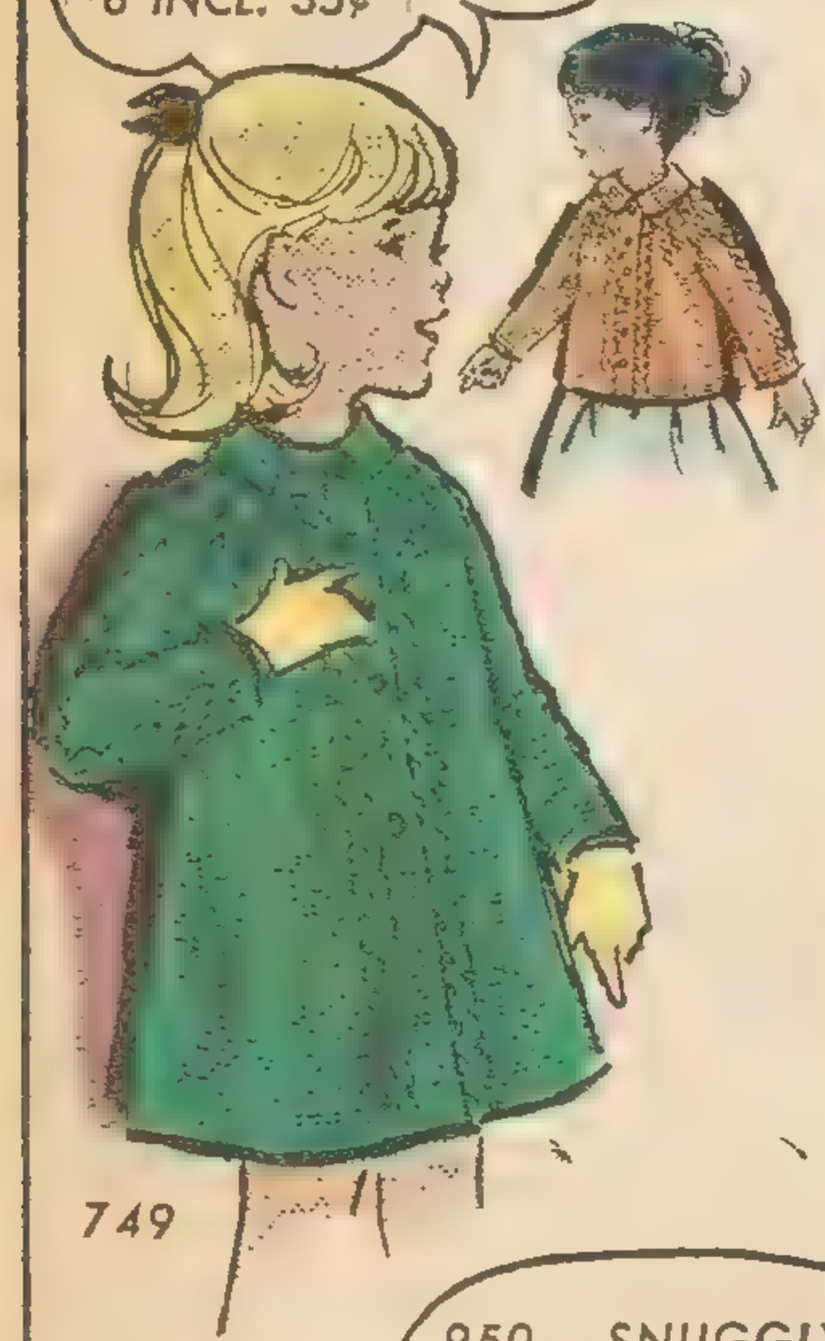

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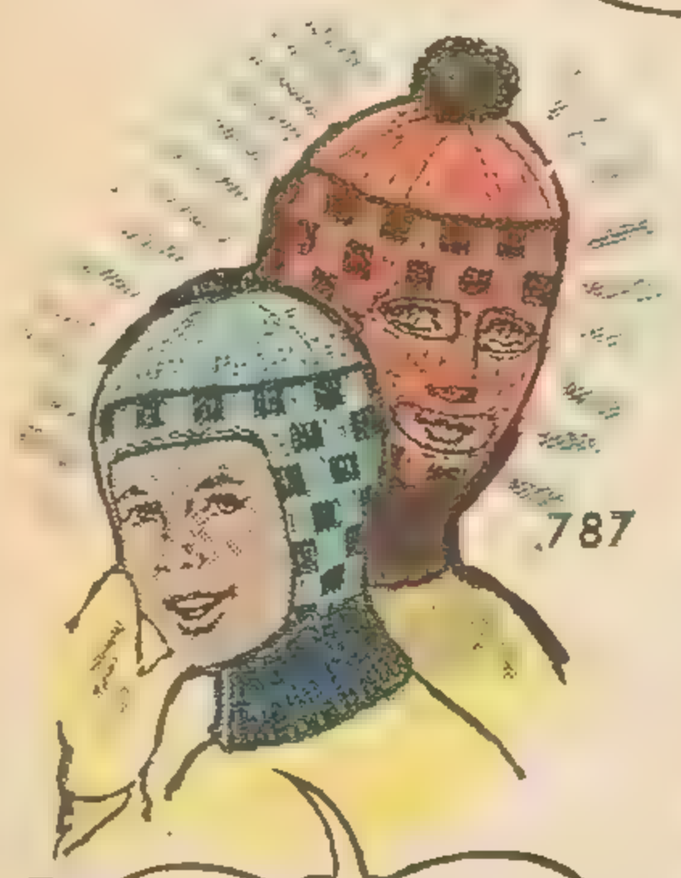

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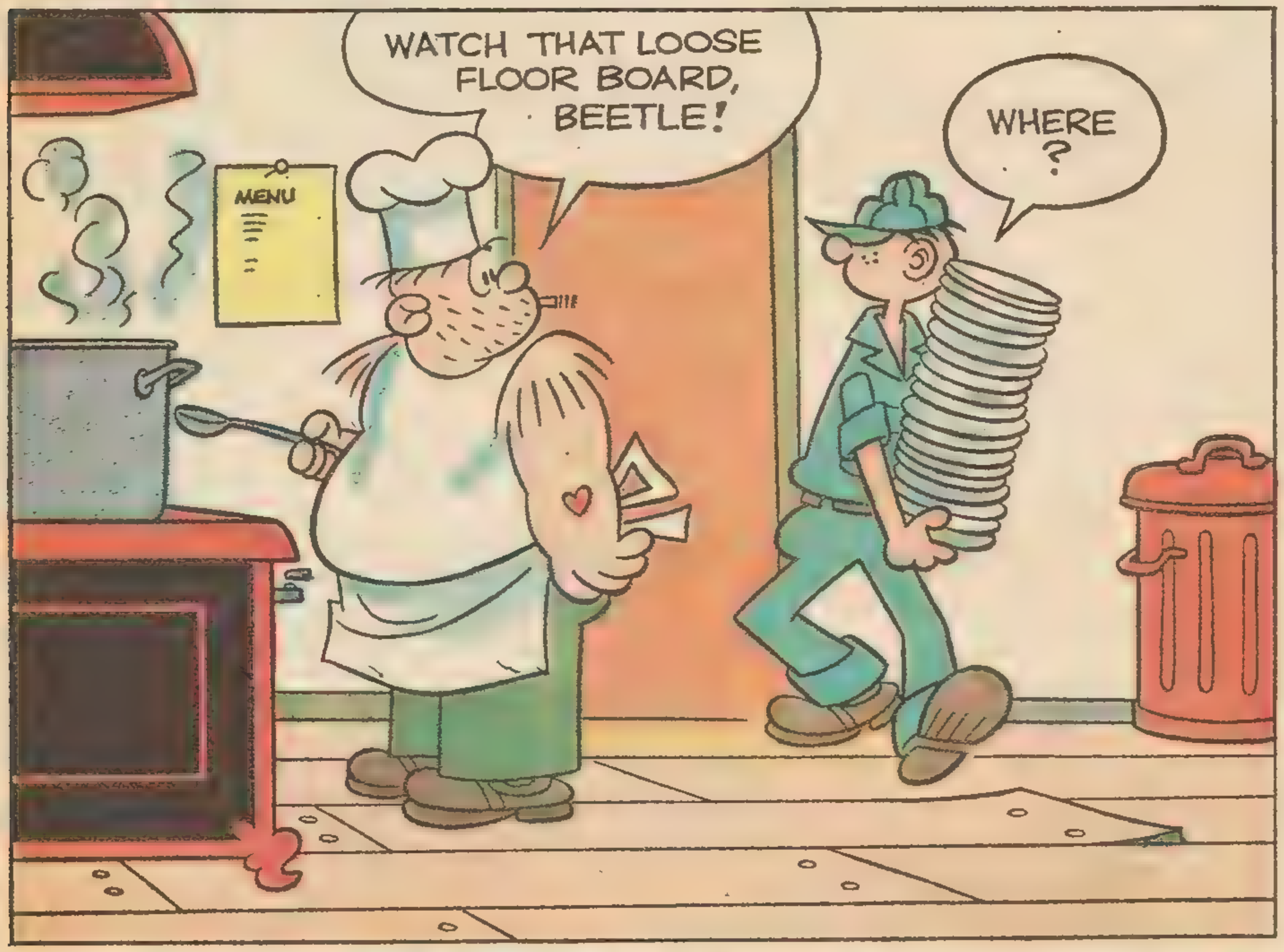
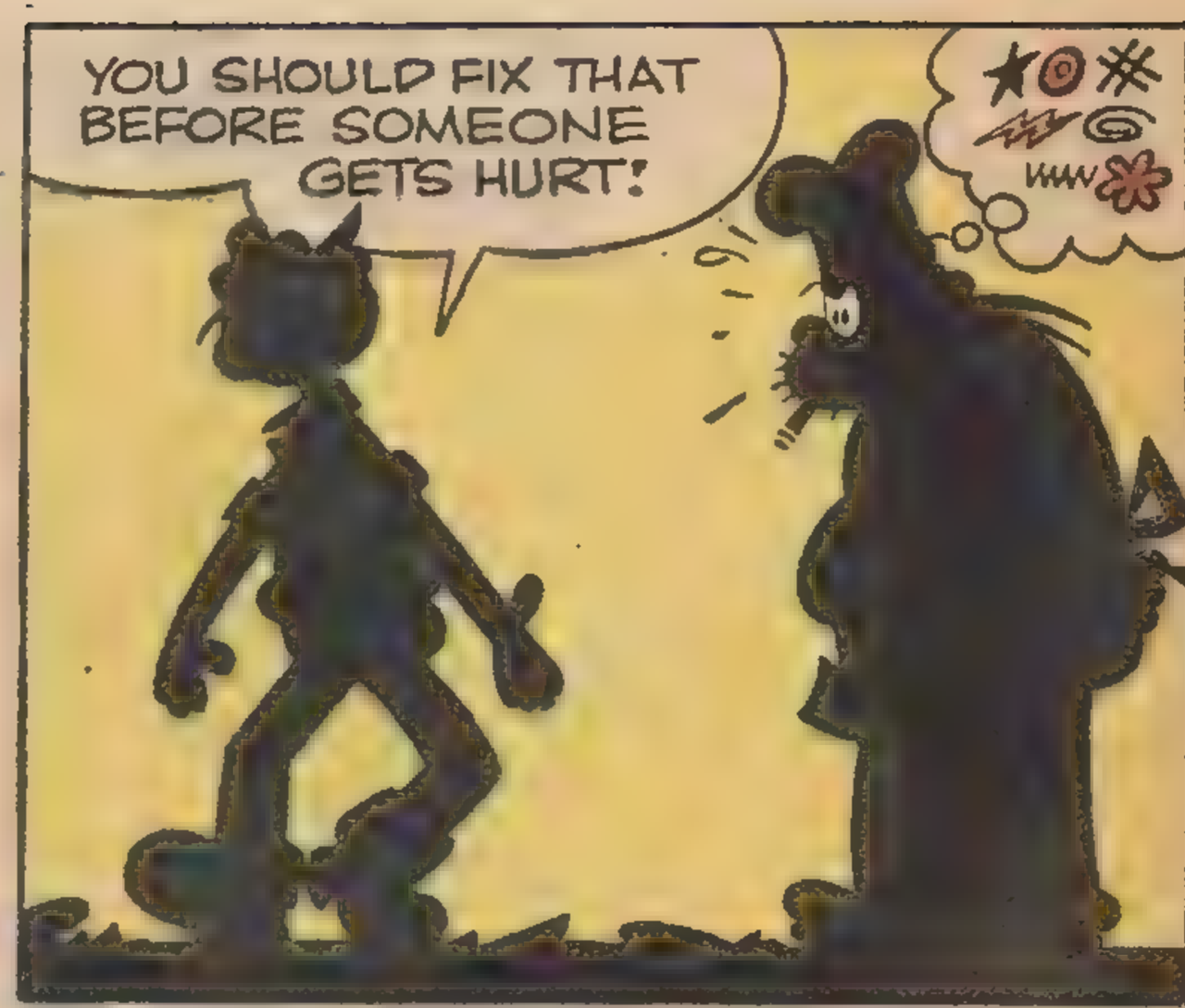
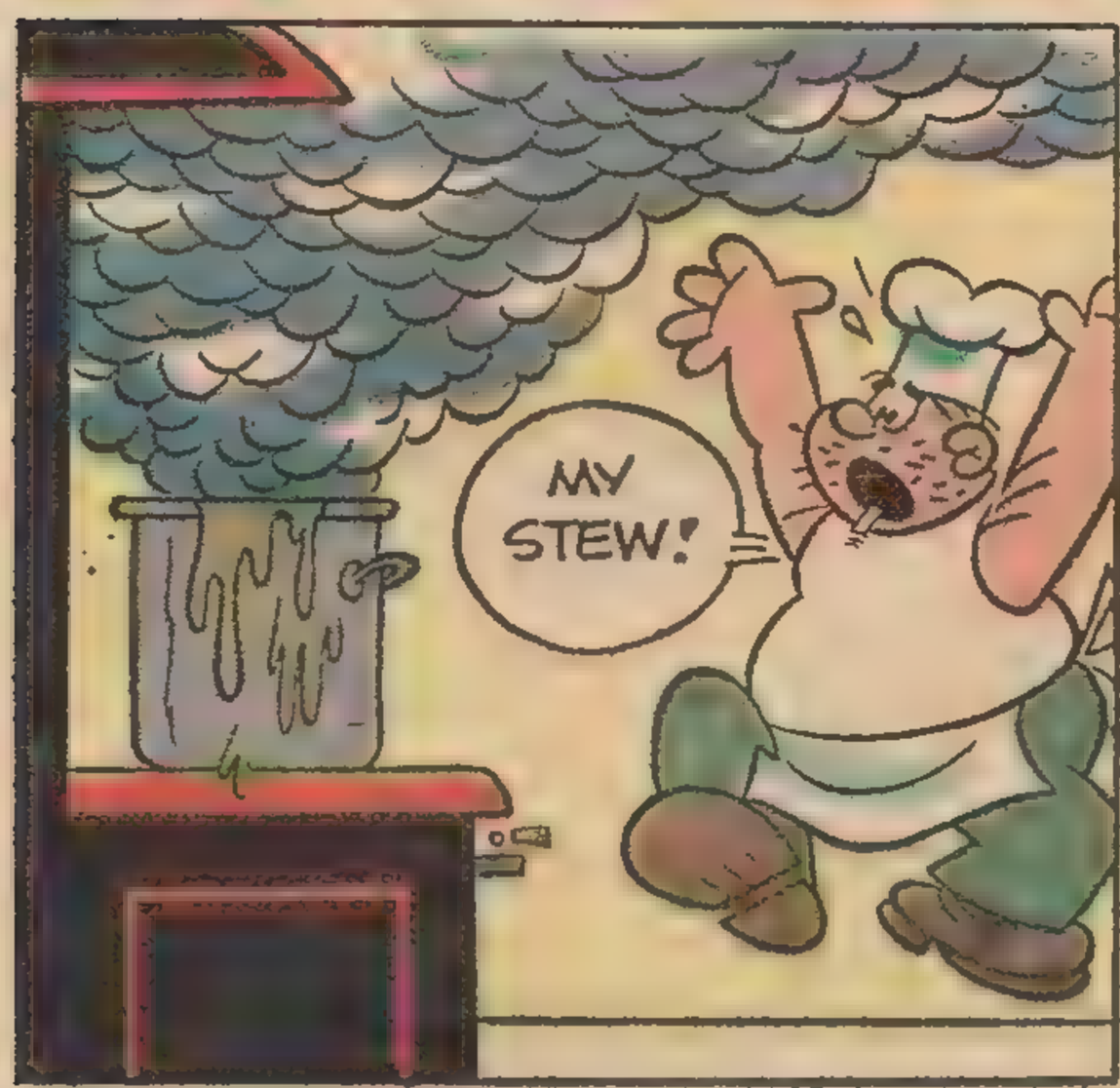
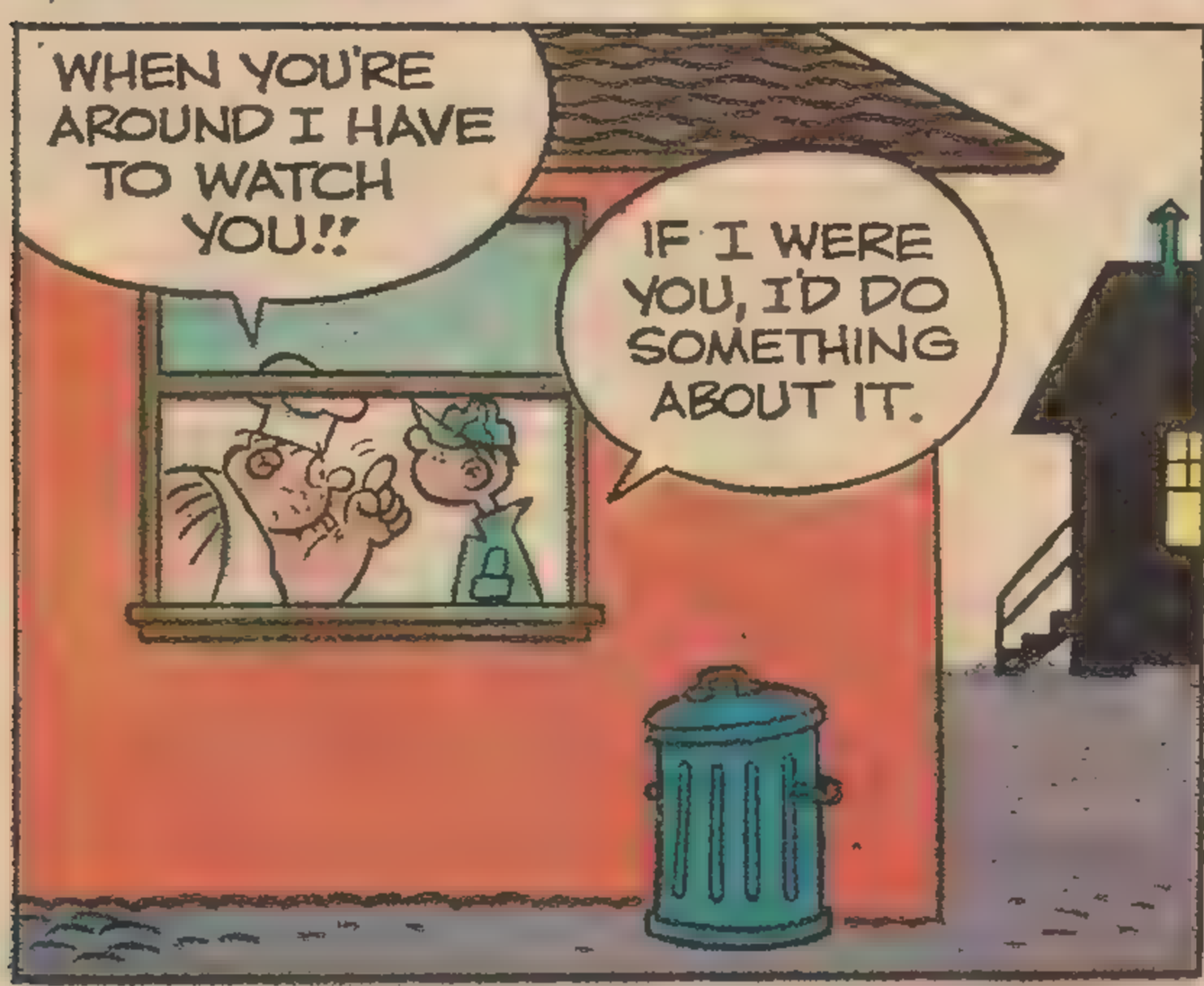


YES, THAT ONE, YOU CLUMSY CLOWN !!!


YOU SHOULD FIX THAT BEFORE SOMEONE GETS HURT!


MY STEW!

RUINED!!
YOU SHOULD WATCH THE STOVE MORE CAREFULLY, COOKIE!

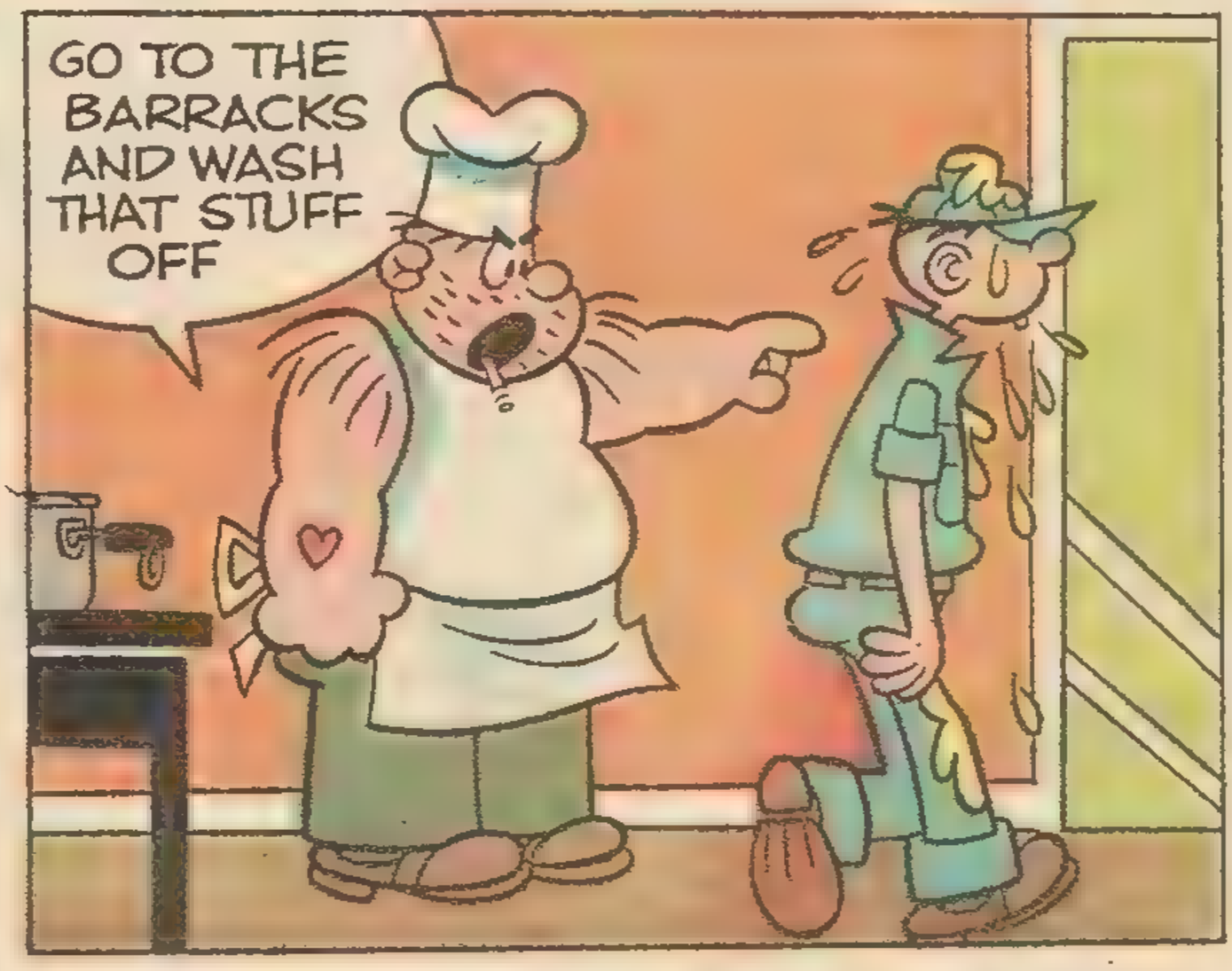

WHEN YOU'RE AROUND I HAVE TO WATCH YOU!!
IF I WERE YOU, I'D DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

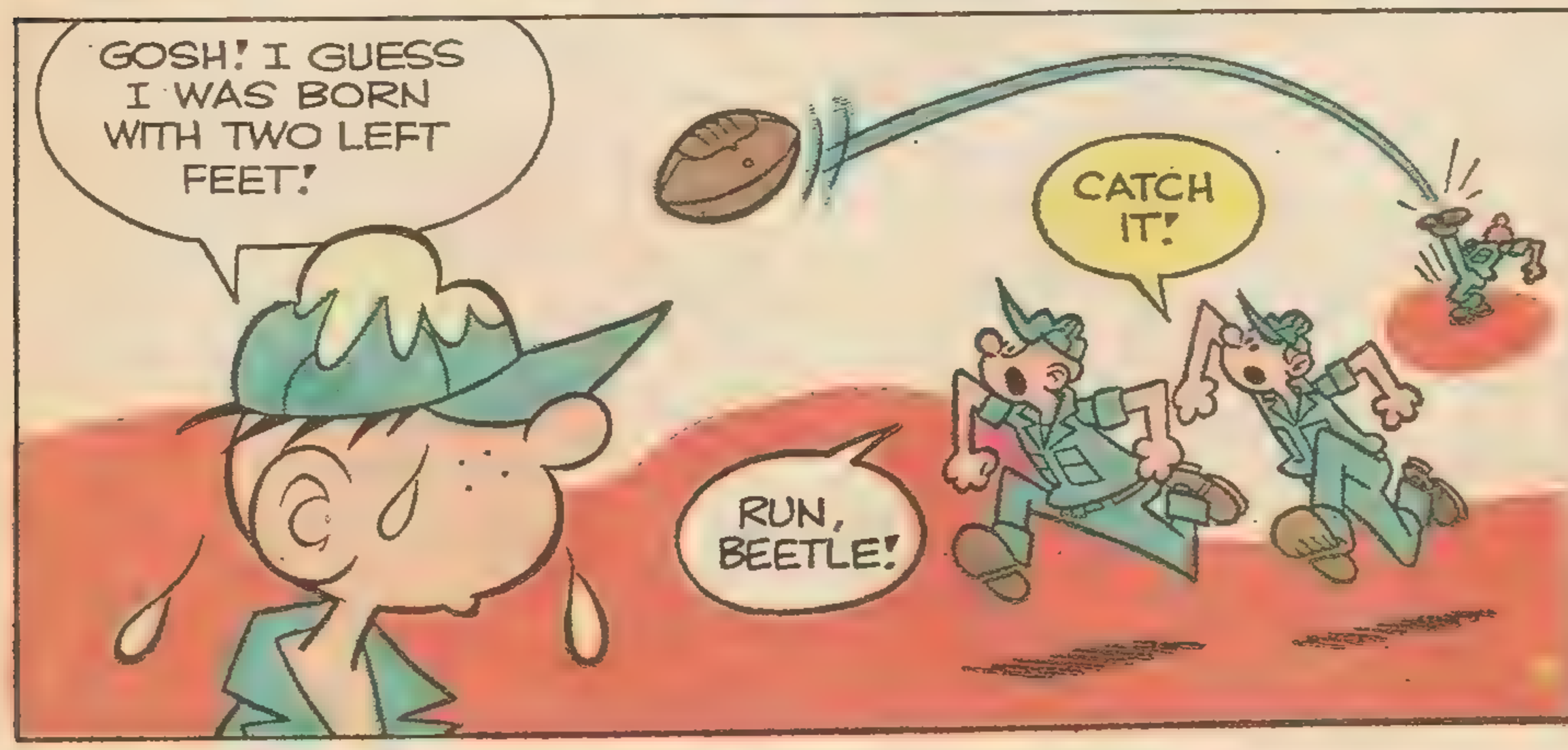
I'D TELL SARGE TO TAKE ME OFF K.P.

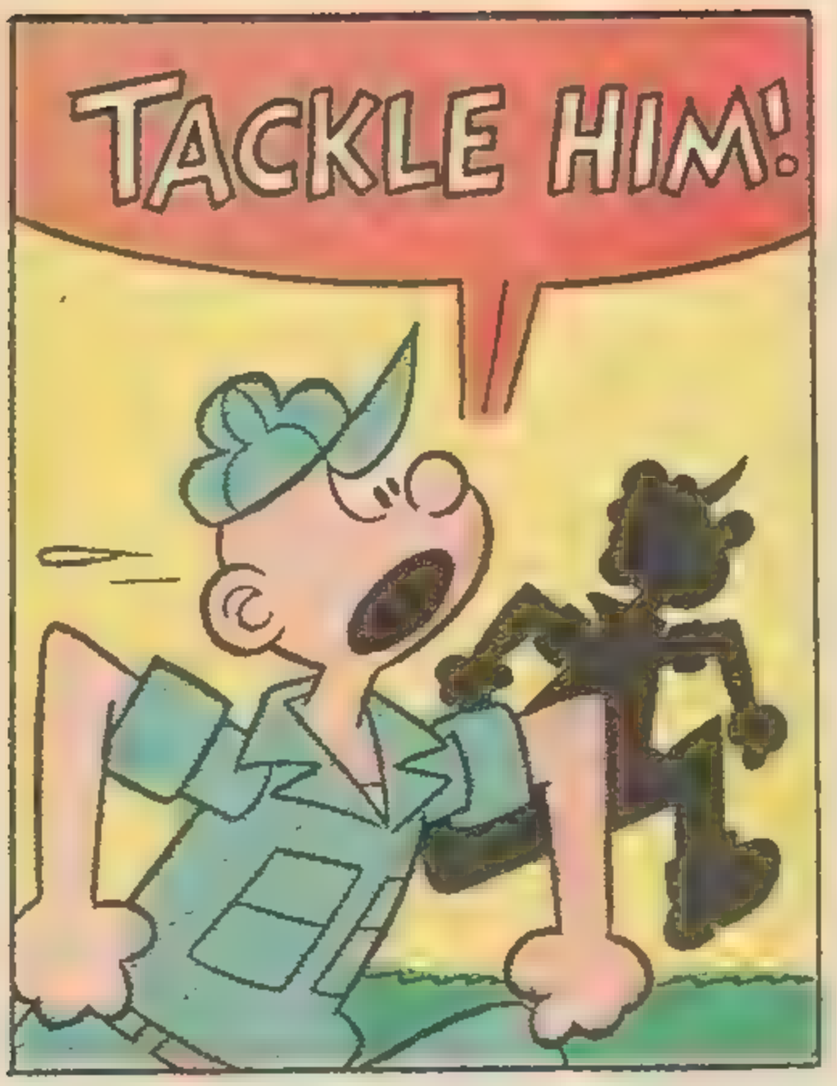
TRY TO DO BETTER! GET THAT CAN OF COOKING OIL OFF THE TOP SHELF!
OKAY!

LOOK OUT YOU CLUMSY...
OOPS!

NOW YOU'VE GOT OIL ALL OVER YOU!


GO TO THE BARRACKS AND WASH THAT STUFF OFF


GOSH! I GUESS I WAS BORN WITH TWO LEFT FEET!
CATCH IT!
RUN, BEETLE!


TACKLE HIM!

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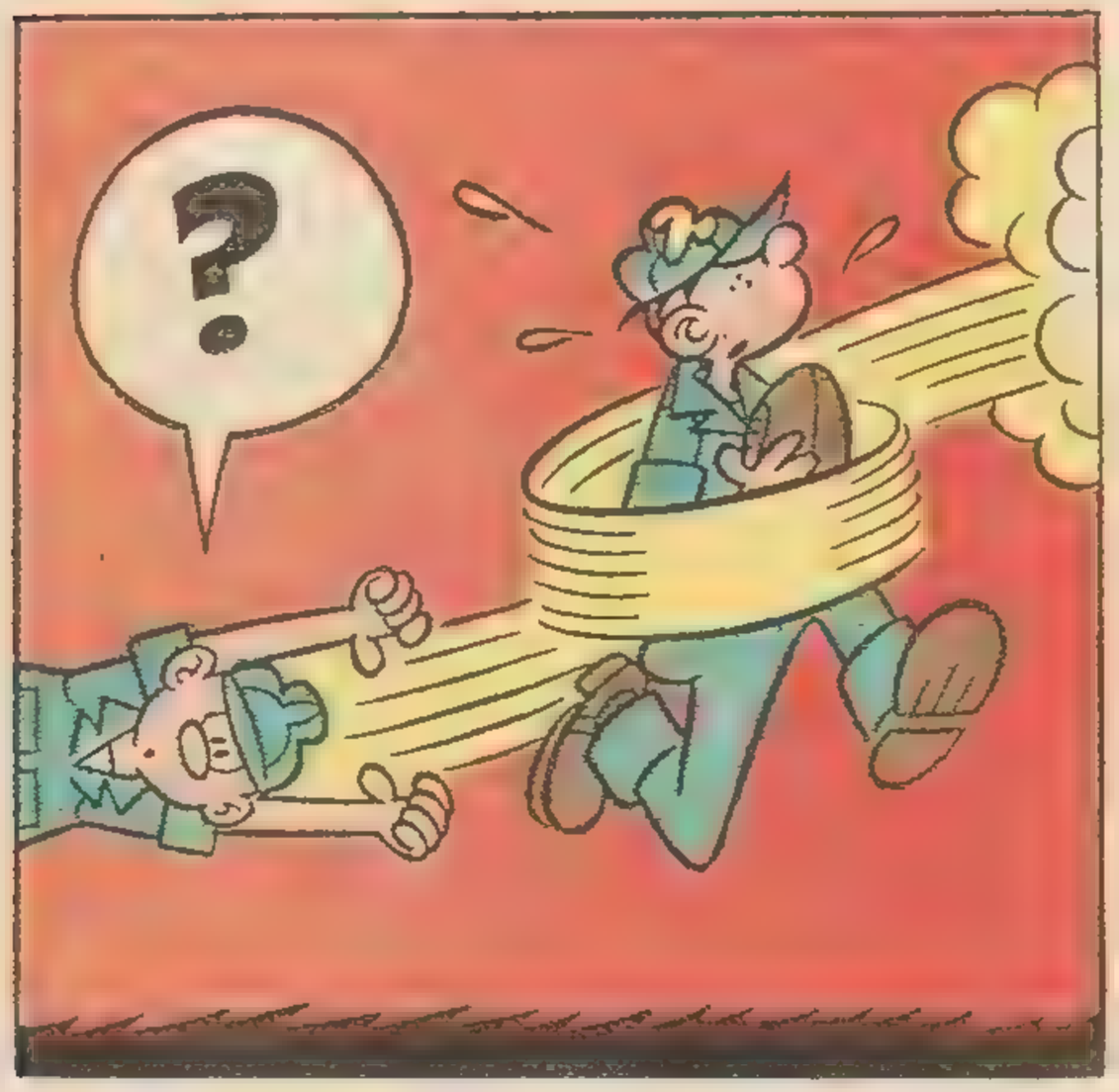
SWOOSH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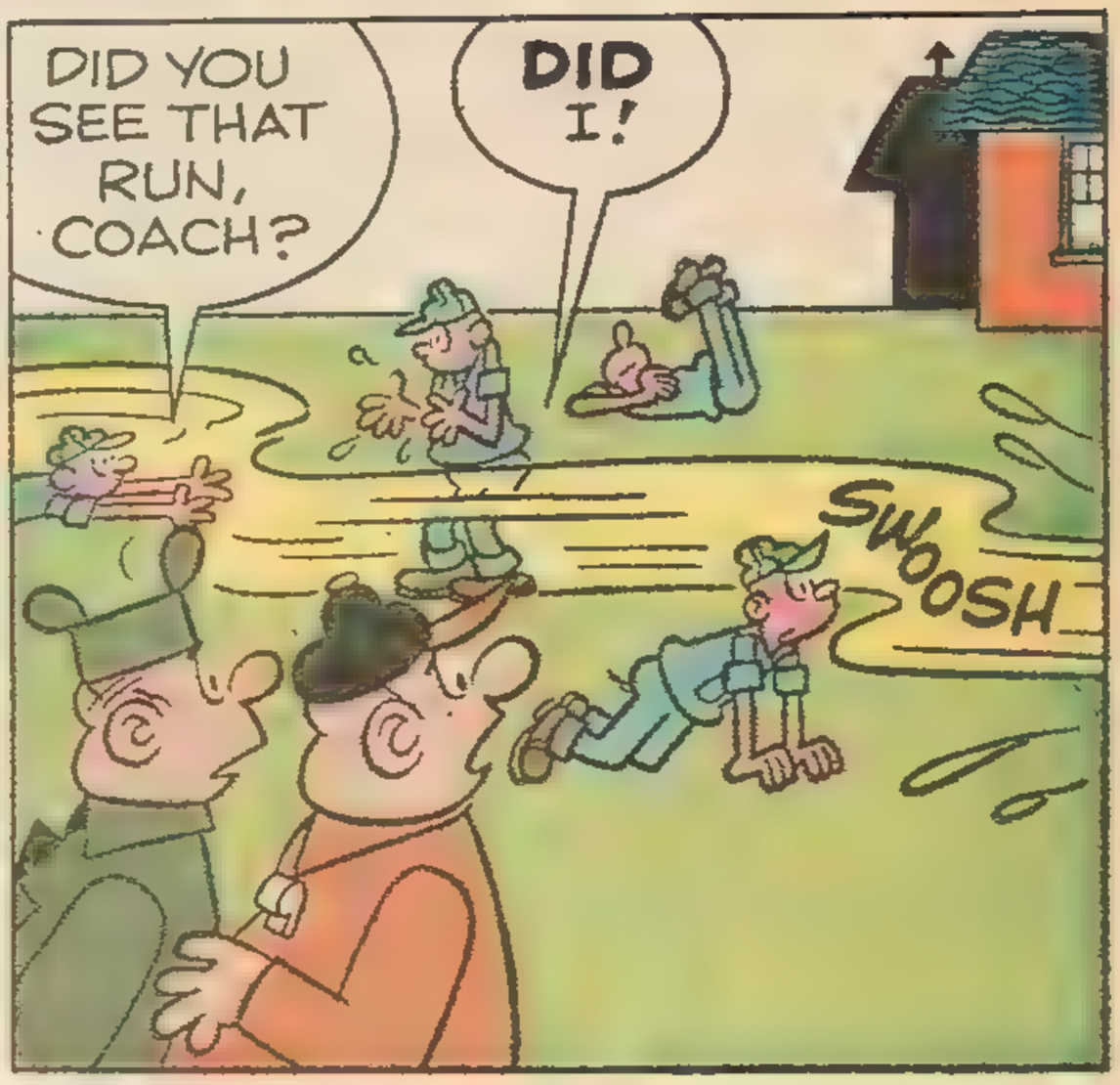
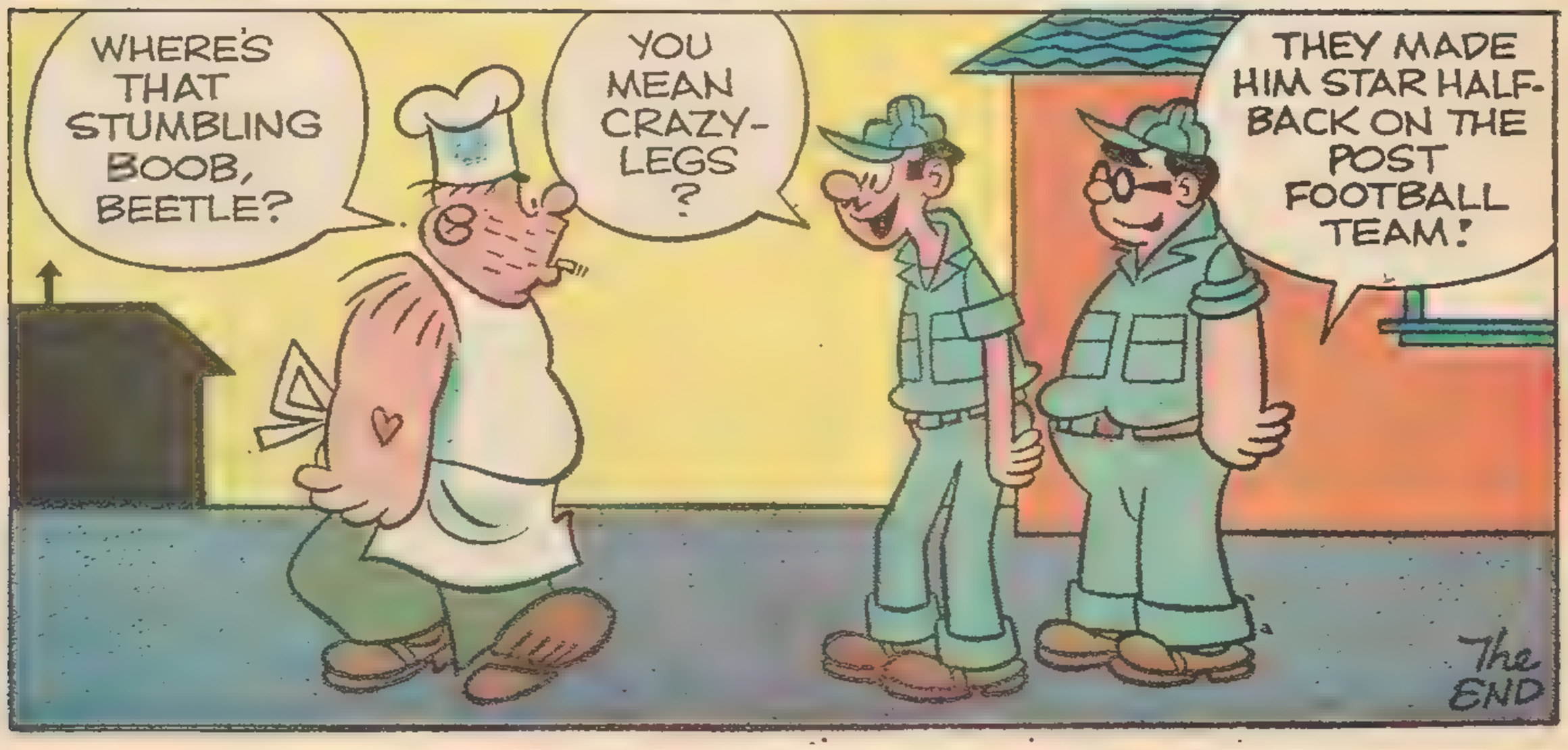
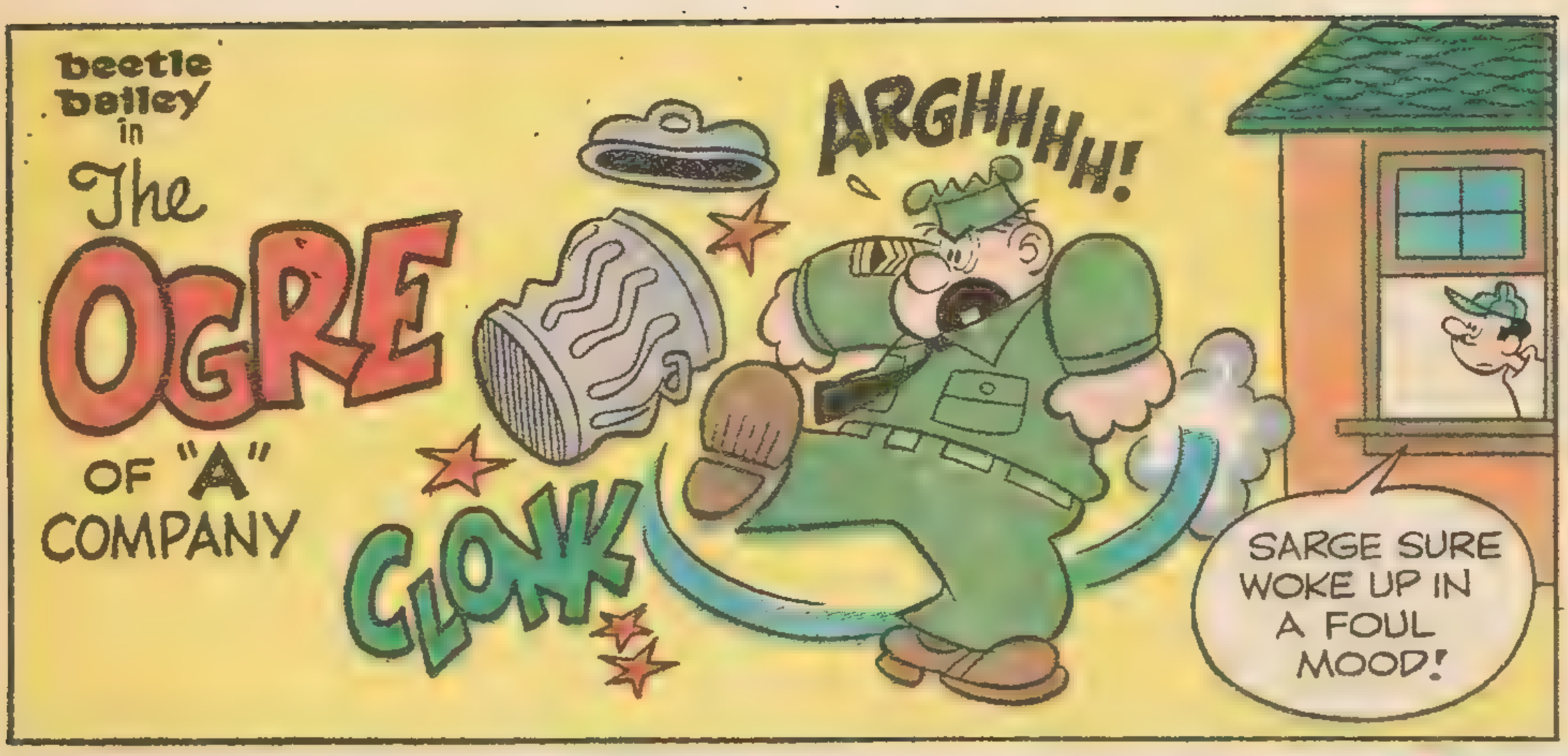
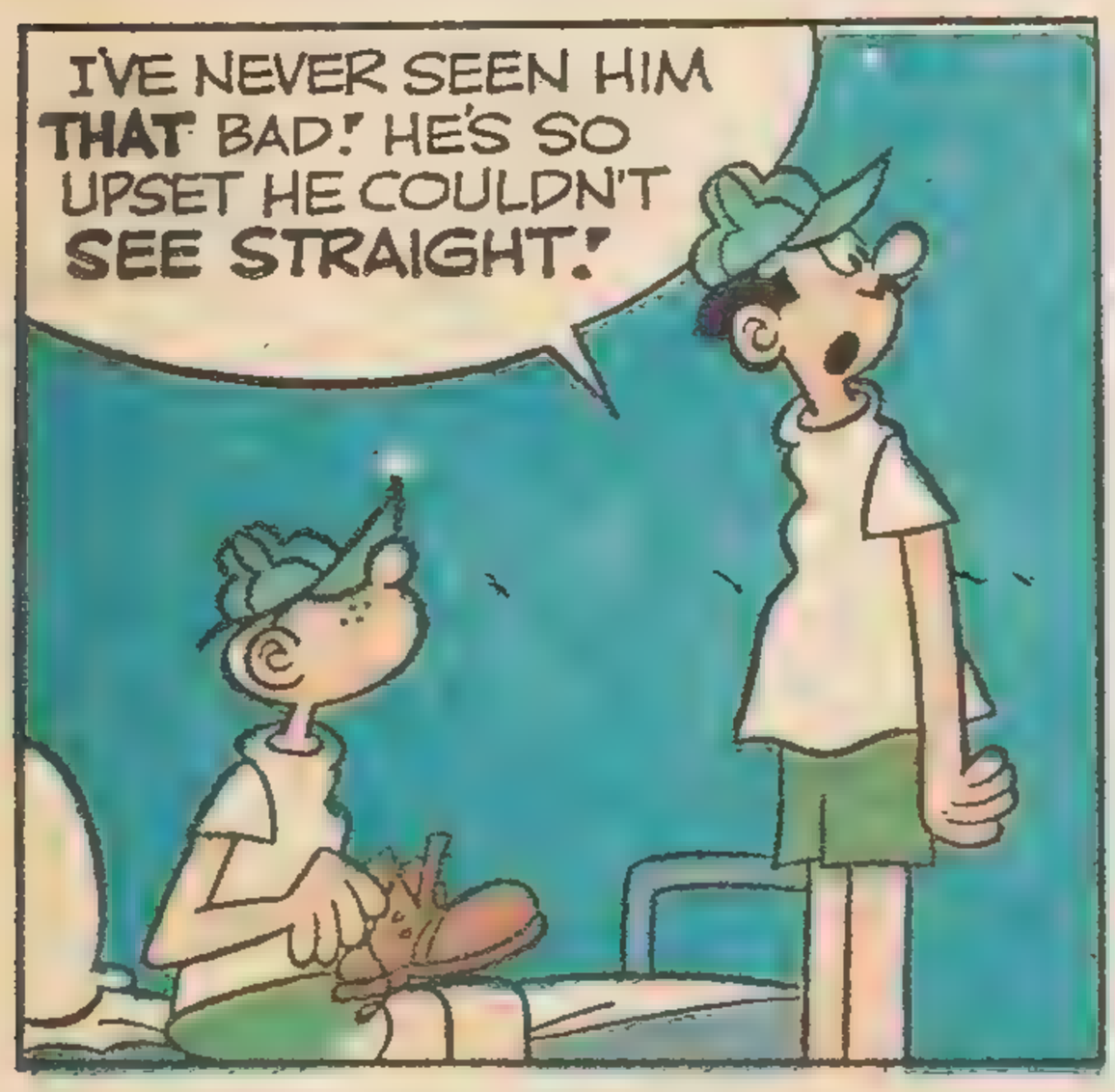

DID YOU SEE THAT RUN, COACH?
DID I!
SWOOSH


WHERE'S THAT STUMBLING BOOB, BEETLE?
YOU MEAN CRAZY-LEGS ?
THEY MADE HIM STAR HALF-BACK ON THE POST FOOTBALL TEAM!
The END


beetle bailey in
The OGRE OF "A" COMPANY
ARGHHHH!
CLONK
SARGE SURE WOKE UP IN A FOUL MOOD!

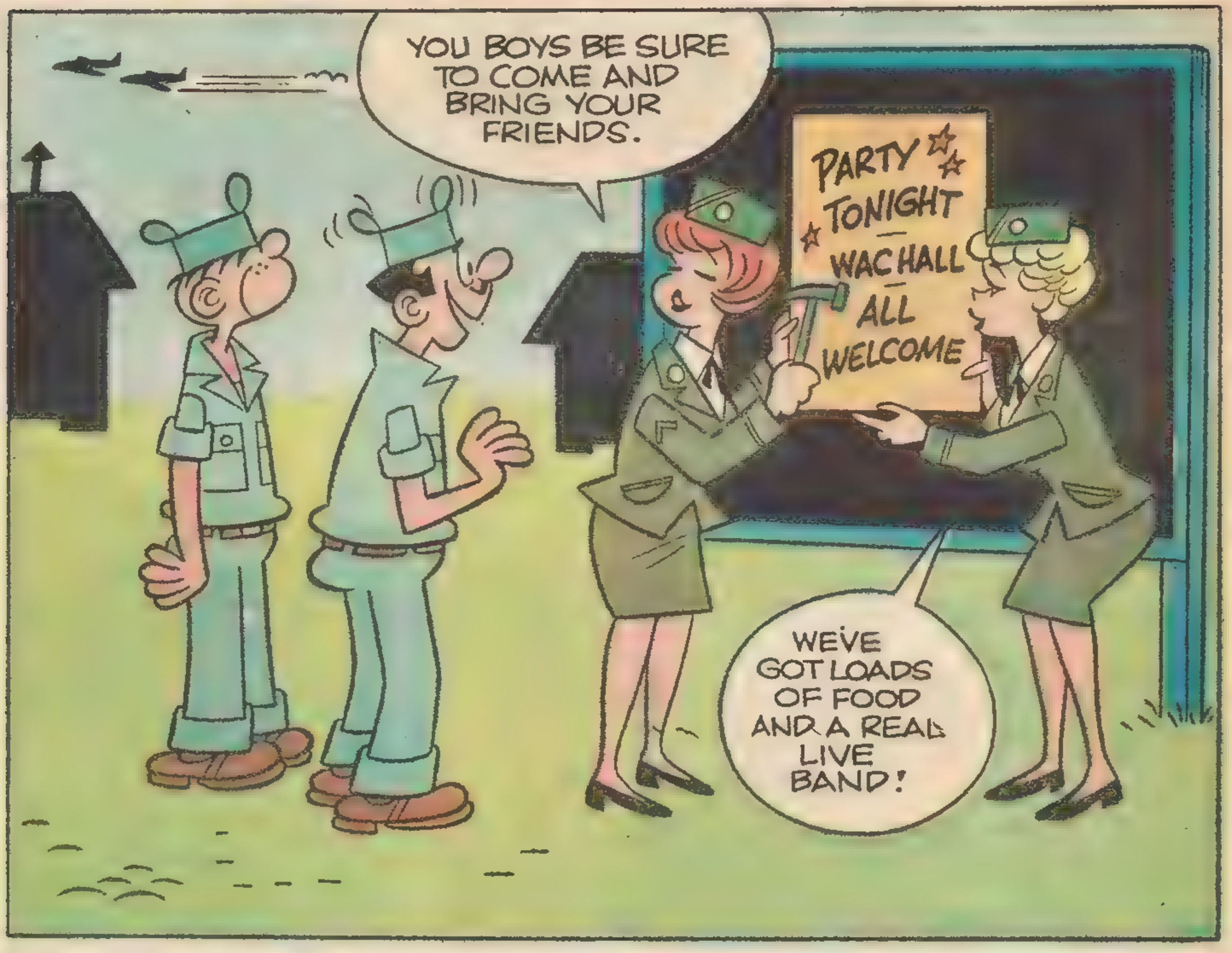

I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM THAT BAD! HE'S SO UPSET HE COULDN'T SEE STRAIGHT!

NO KIDDING, BEETLE HIS HANDS WE'RE SHAKING LIKE THIS!

HE LOST COMPLETE CONTROL OF HIMSELF
YEAH, BUT NO MATTER HOW BAD OFF HE GETS...

HE STILL MANAGES TO WRITE MY NAME LEGIBLY
KP TODAY
Beetle

Beetle Bailey in The PARTY PLAN



WHATSAMATTER? YOU GUYS DEAF? I SAID...

WE HEARD YOU.

GO LOOK AT THE BULLETIN BOARD.

SARGE HAS OTHER PLANS.

OH, OH!

OF ALL THE CRUMMY LUCK.

NIGHT HIKE
FULL PACKS
1600 h

MAYBE I CAN TALK SARGE INTO TAKING THAT HIKE SOME OTHER NIGHT.

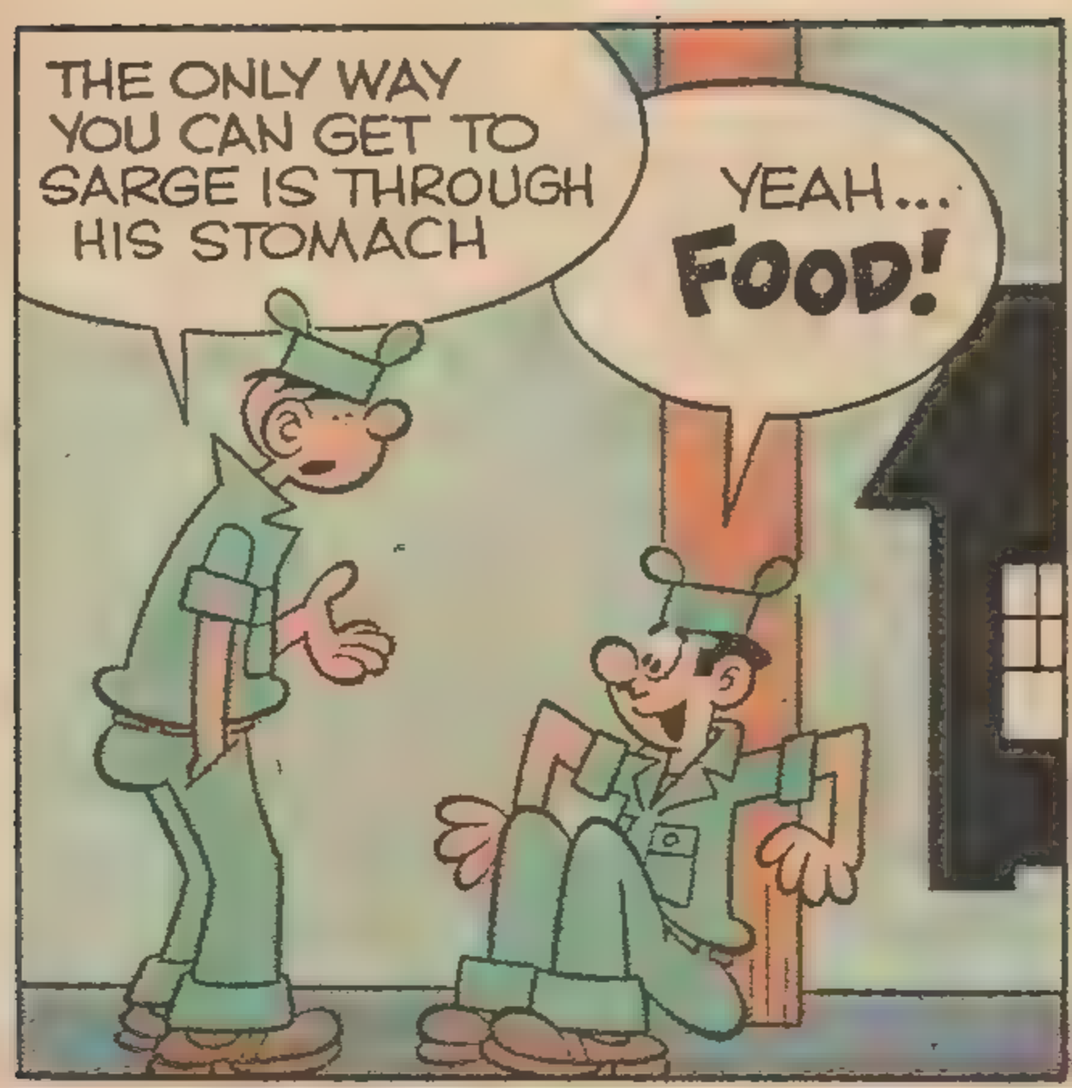
SGT. SNORKEL

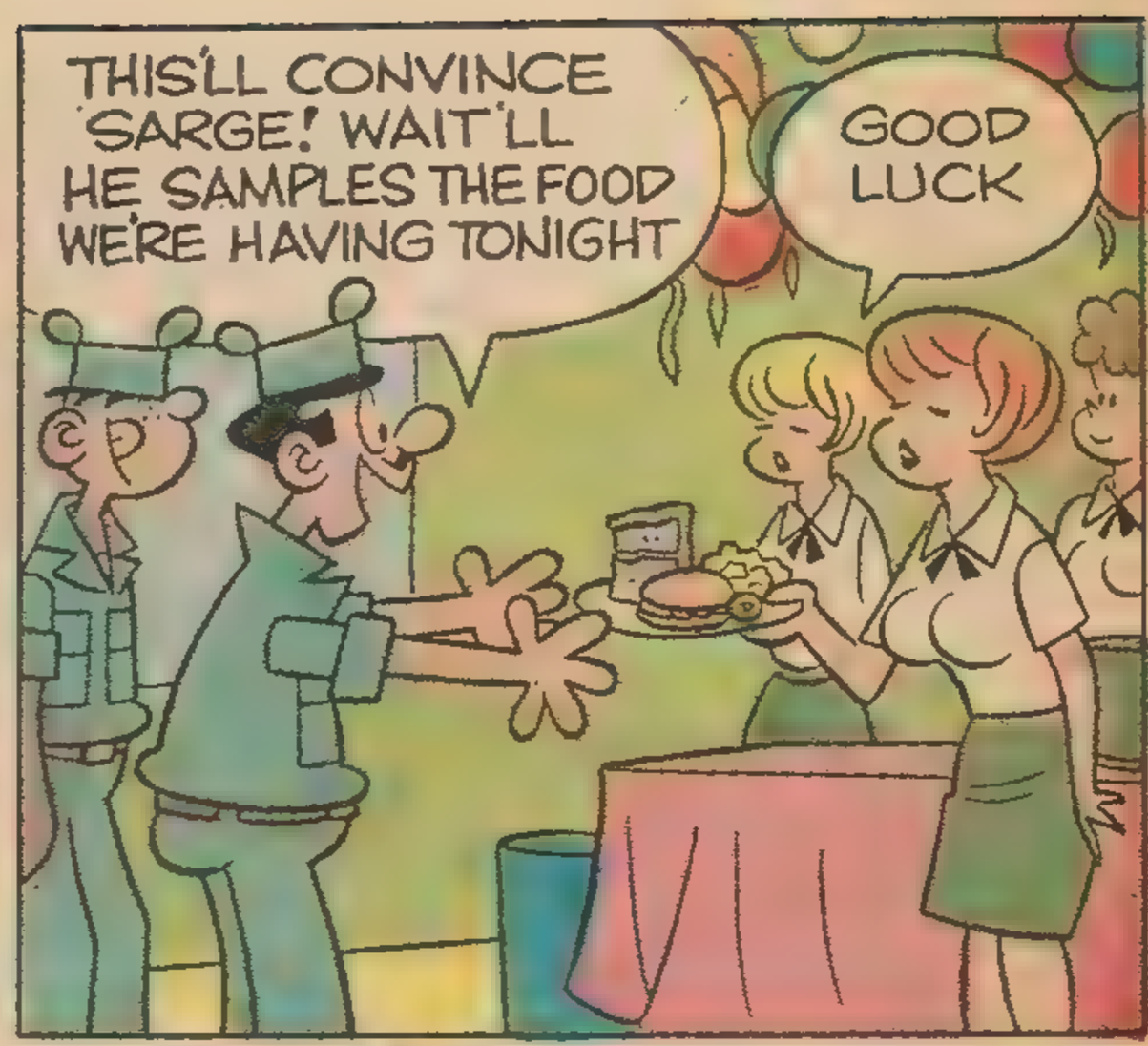
IT'S WORTH A TRY.

THE ANSWER IS NO! GET OUTTA HERE!

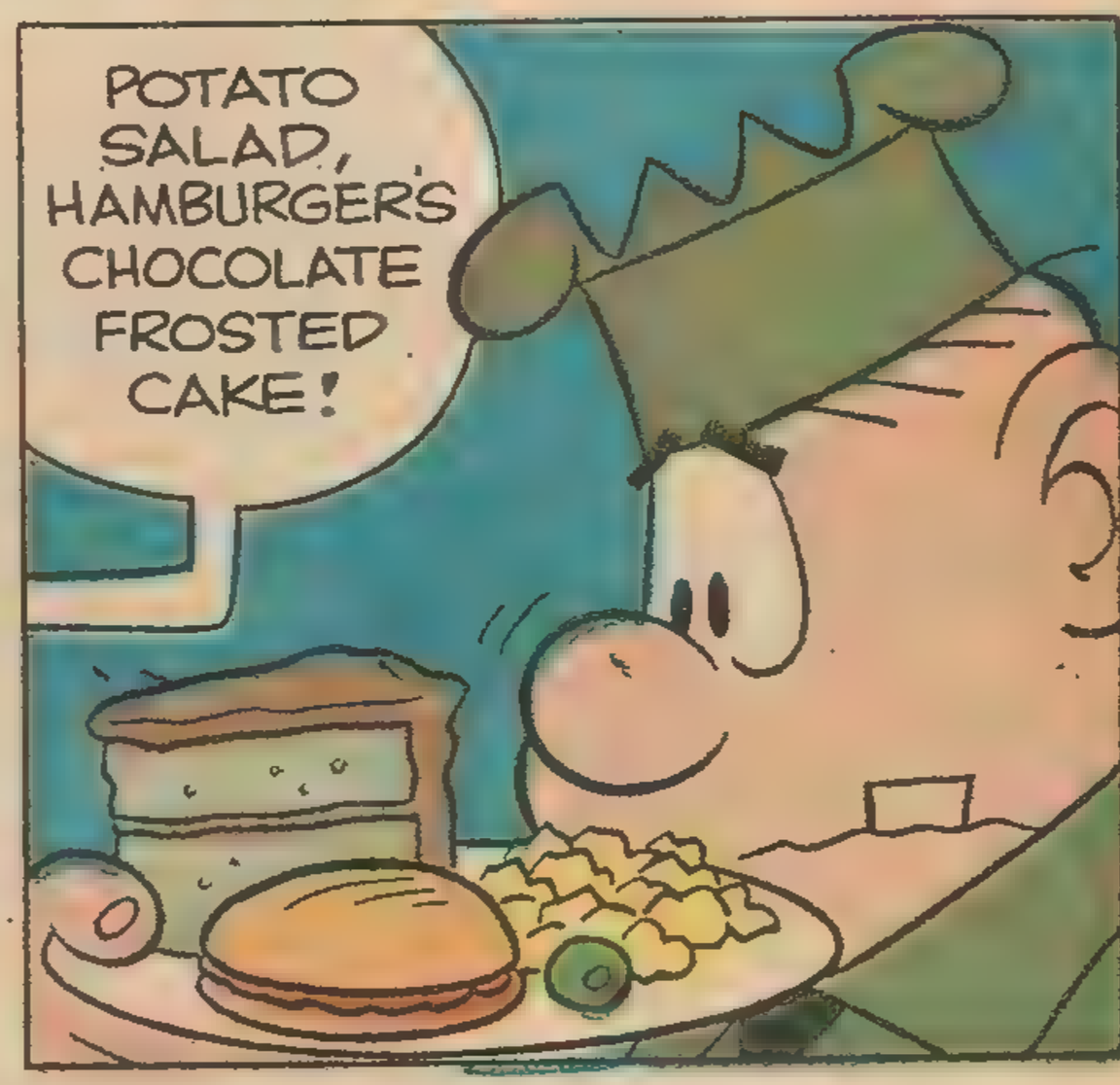
NICE GOING!

HE DIDN'T EVEN GIVE ME A CHANCE TO OPEN MY MOUTH!

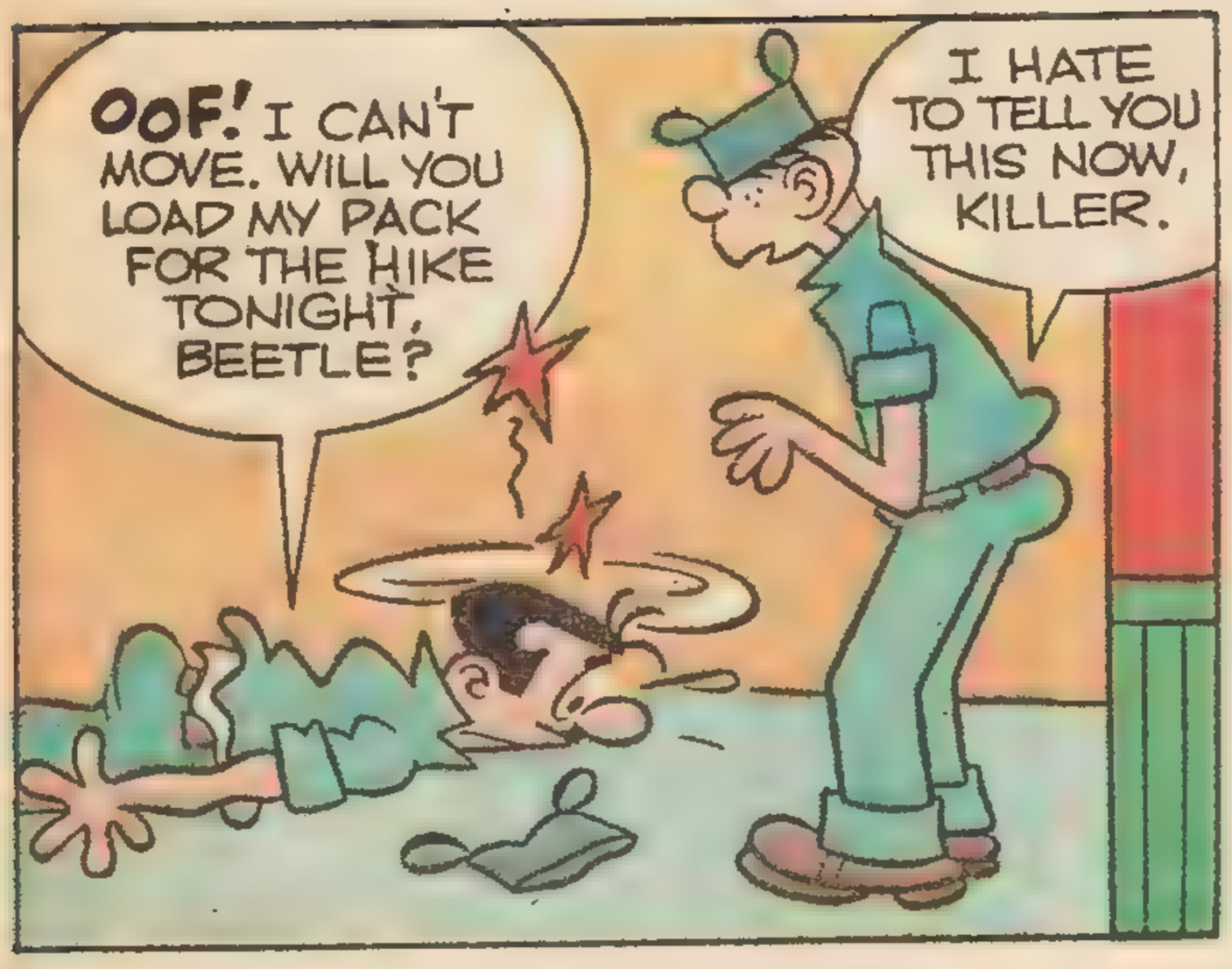

THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN GET TO SARGE IS THROUGH HIS STOMACH
YEAH... FOOD!


THIS'LL CONVINCE SARGE! WAIT'LL HE SAMPLES THE FOOD WE'RE HAVING TONIGHT
GOOD LUCK

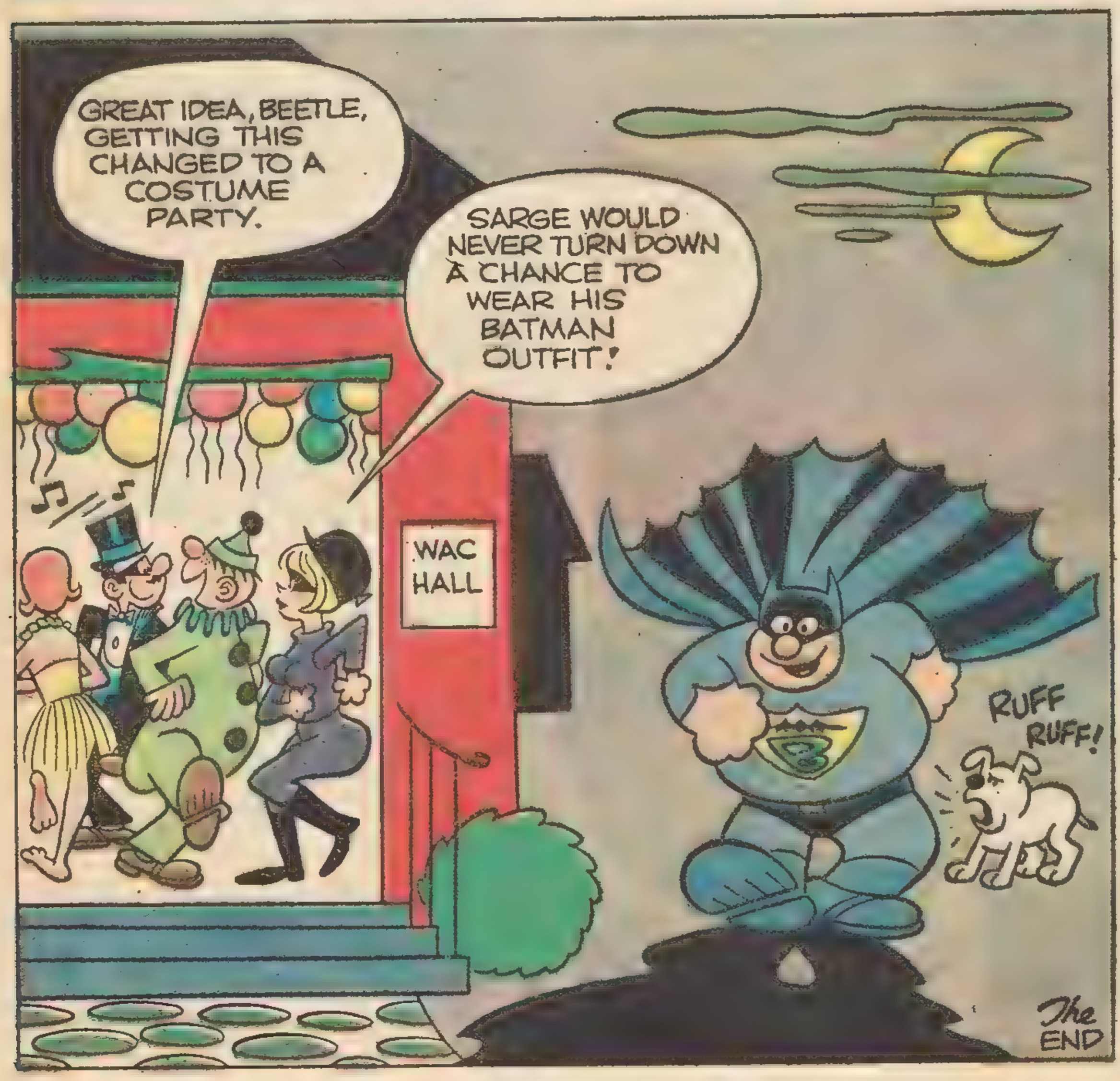
HOW WOULD YOU LIKE ALL OF THIS YOU CAN EAT TONIGHT, SARGE?


POTATO SALAD, HAMBURGER'S CHOCOLATE FROSTED CAKE!

IDIOT! I'M ON A DIET!

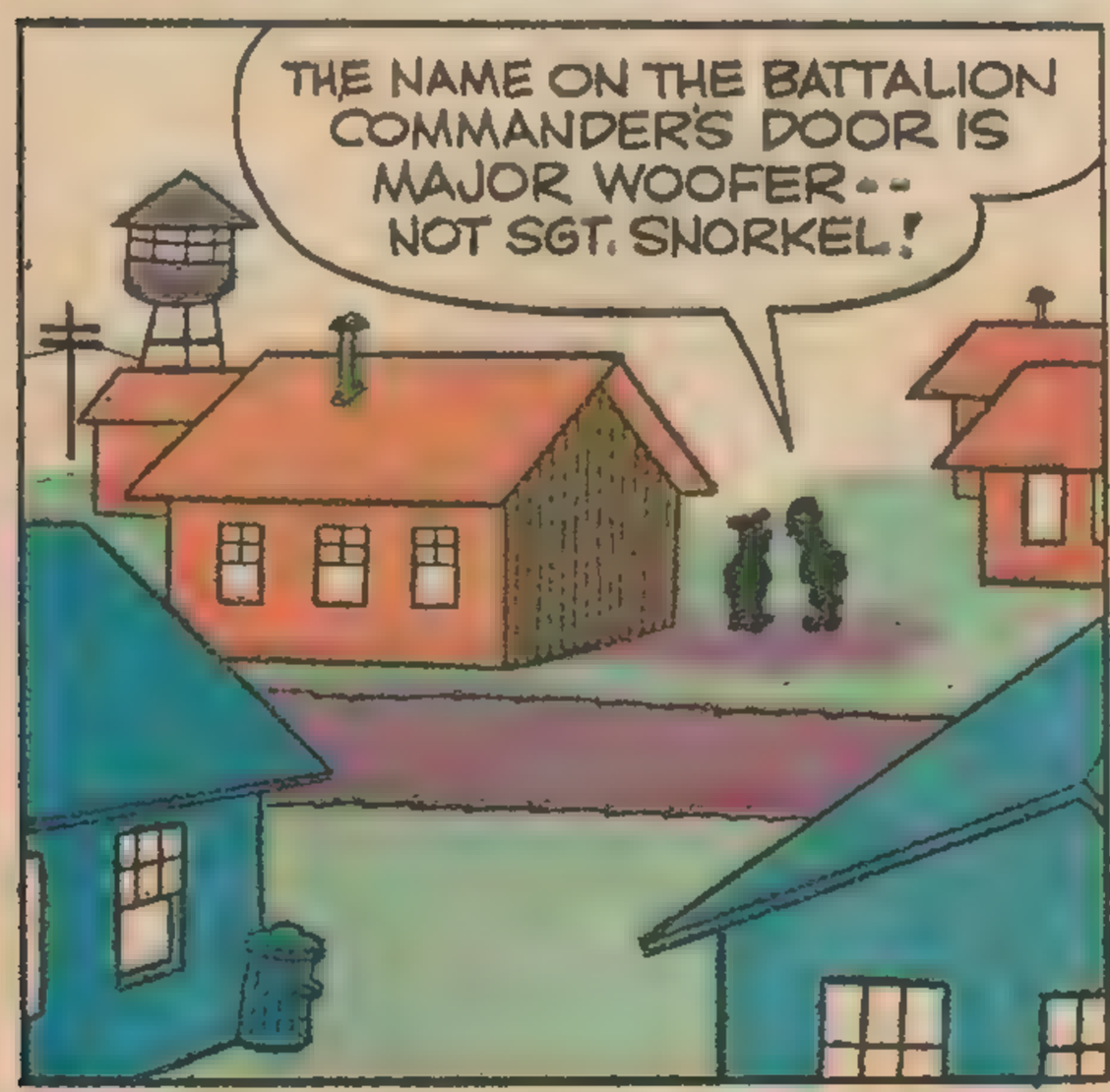

OOF! I CAN'T MOVE. WILL YOU LOAD MY PACK FOR THE HIKE TONIGHT, BEETLE?
I HATE TO TELL YOU THIS NOW, KILLER.

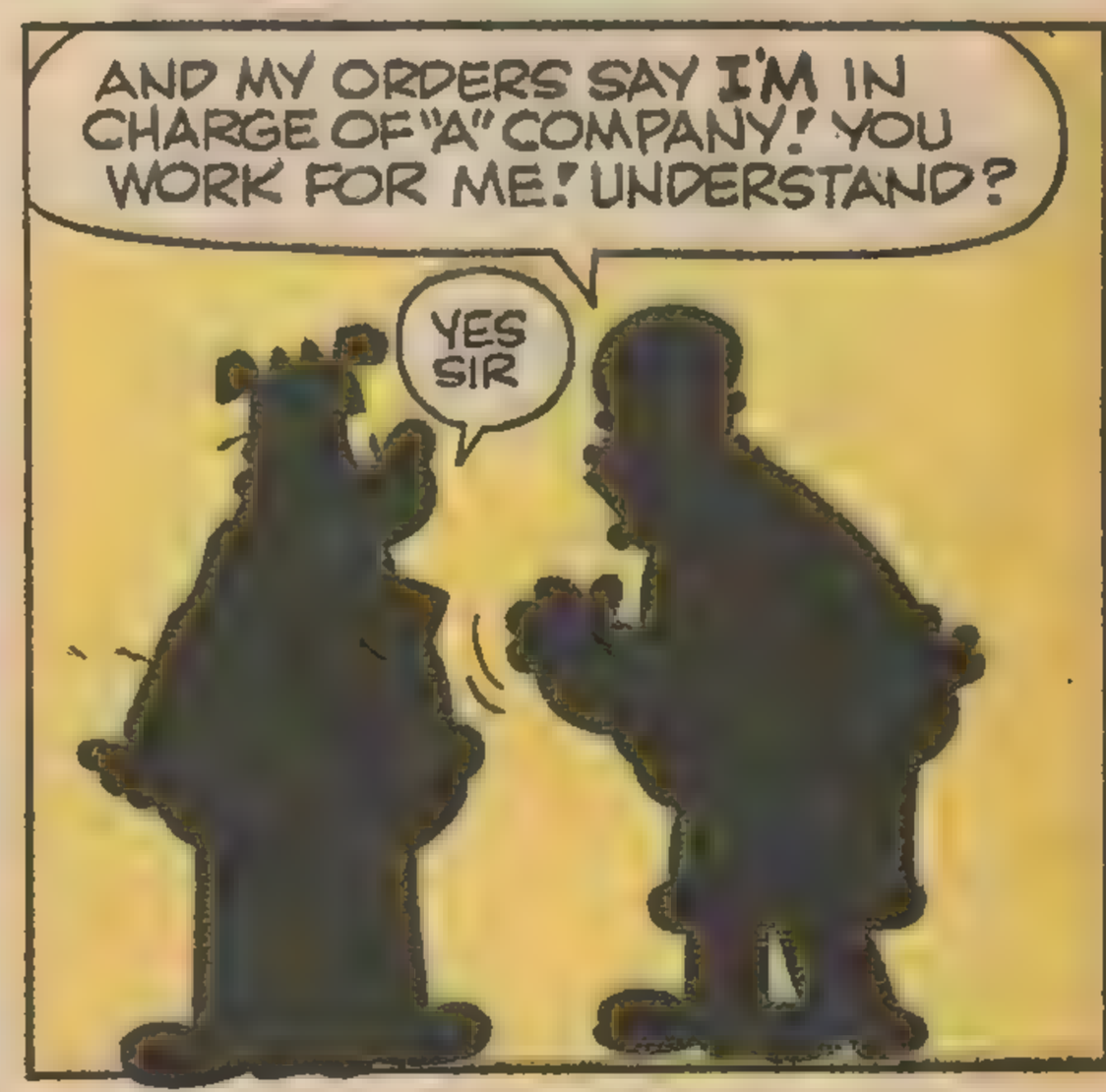
BUT I JUST THOUGHT OF SOMETHING THAT'S SURE TO MAKE SARGE CHANGE HIS MIND ABOUT THAT HIKE!


GREAT IDEA, BEETLE, GETTING THIS CHANGED TO A COSTUME PARTY.
SARGE WOULD NEVER TURN DOWN A CHANCE TO WEAR HIS BATMAN OUTFIT!
WAC HALL
RUFF RUFF!
The END

Beetle Bailey in

PERFECTLY CLEAR





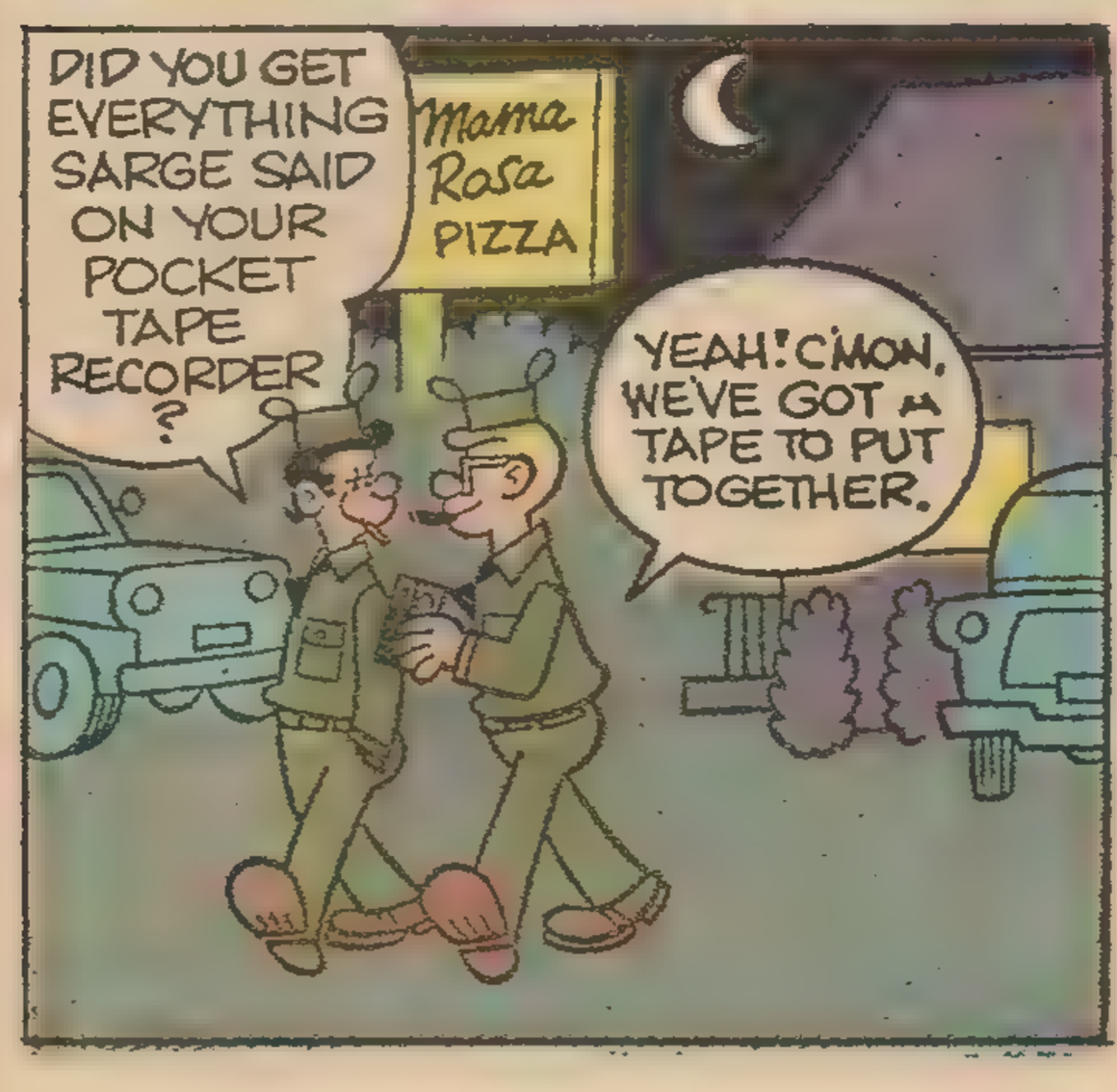
Beetle Bailey in

UP THE CREEK WITH A PING-PONG PADDLE!

BEETLE SAYS YOU'RE OVER THE HILL. HE SAYS YOU'RE TOO OLD AND FAT TO PLAY PING PONG
OH YEAH!

I CAN BEAT BEETLE WITH ONE HAND TIED BEHIND MY BACK!

WITH ONE HAND TIED BEHIND YOUR BACK... WOW! DID YOU HEAR THAT, COSMO?
SARGE WAS ONLY KIDDING, ROCKY
WITH BOTH HANDS AND ONE FOOT TIED BEHIND MY BACK!


DID YOU GET EVERYTHING SARGE SAID ON YOUR POCKET TAPE RECORDER?
Mama Rosa PIZZA
YEAH! C'MON, WE'VE GOT A TAPE TO PUT TOGETHER.

HOW ARE YOU GOING TO PLAY BEETLE IN THE PING-PONG TOURNAMENT, SARGE?
~CLICK~
WITH BOTH HANDS AND ONE FOOT TIED BEHIND MY BACK!

PUT EVERY NICKEL. WE'VE GOT ON BEETLE TO WIN BEFORE I TAKE THAT TAPE TO THE RADIO STATION
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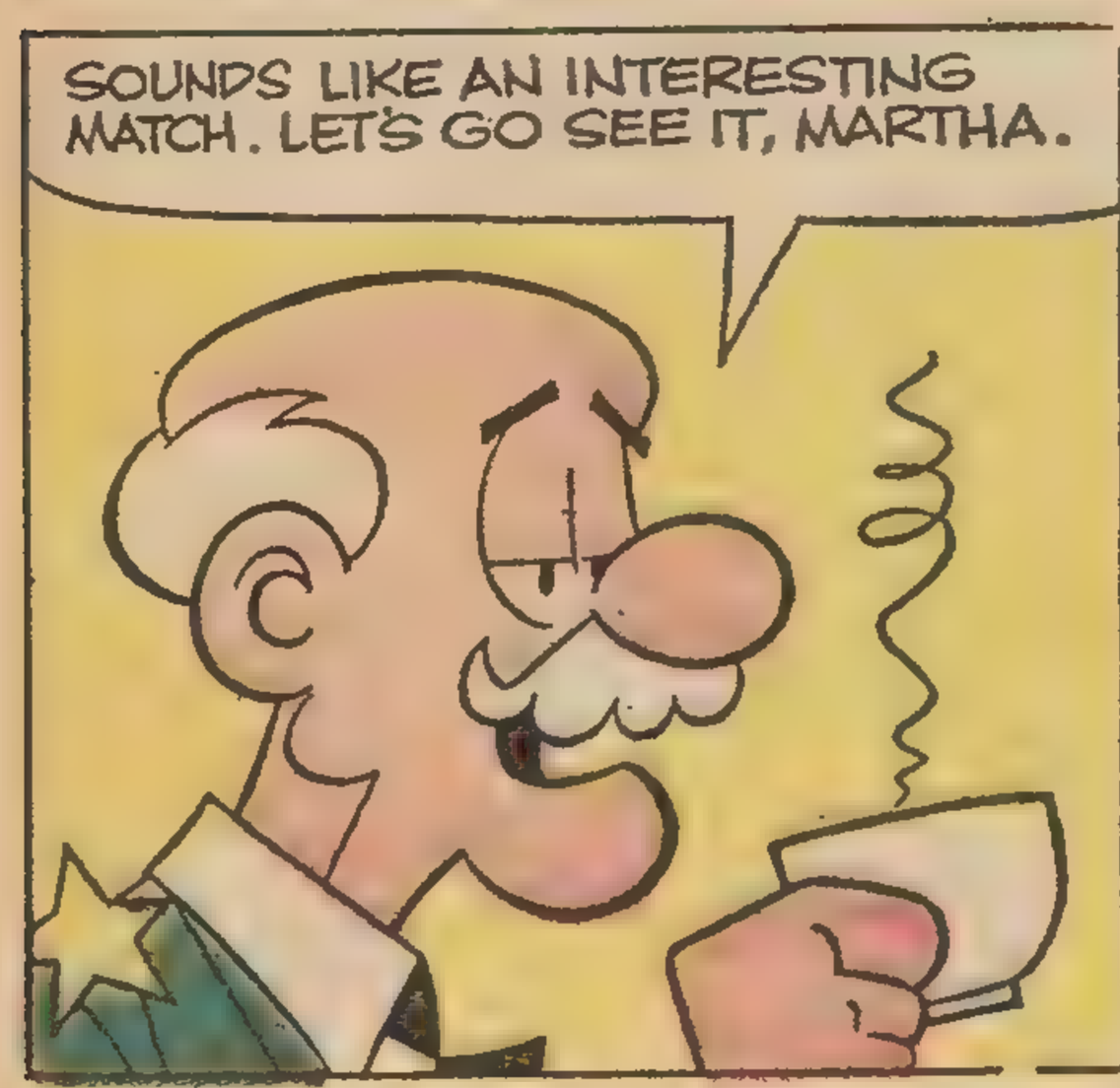
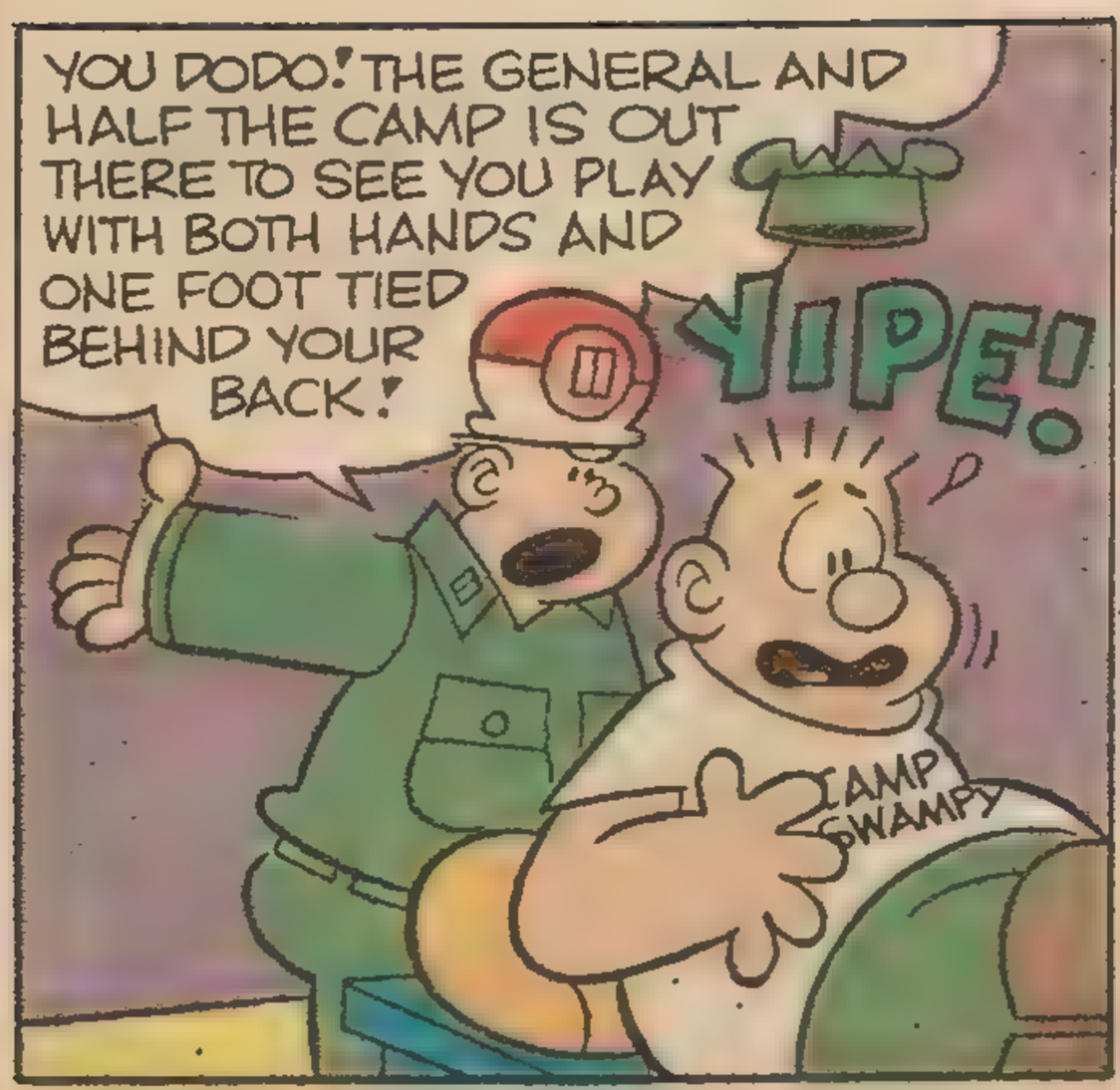
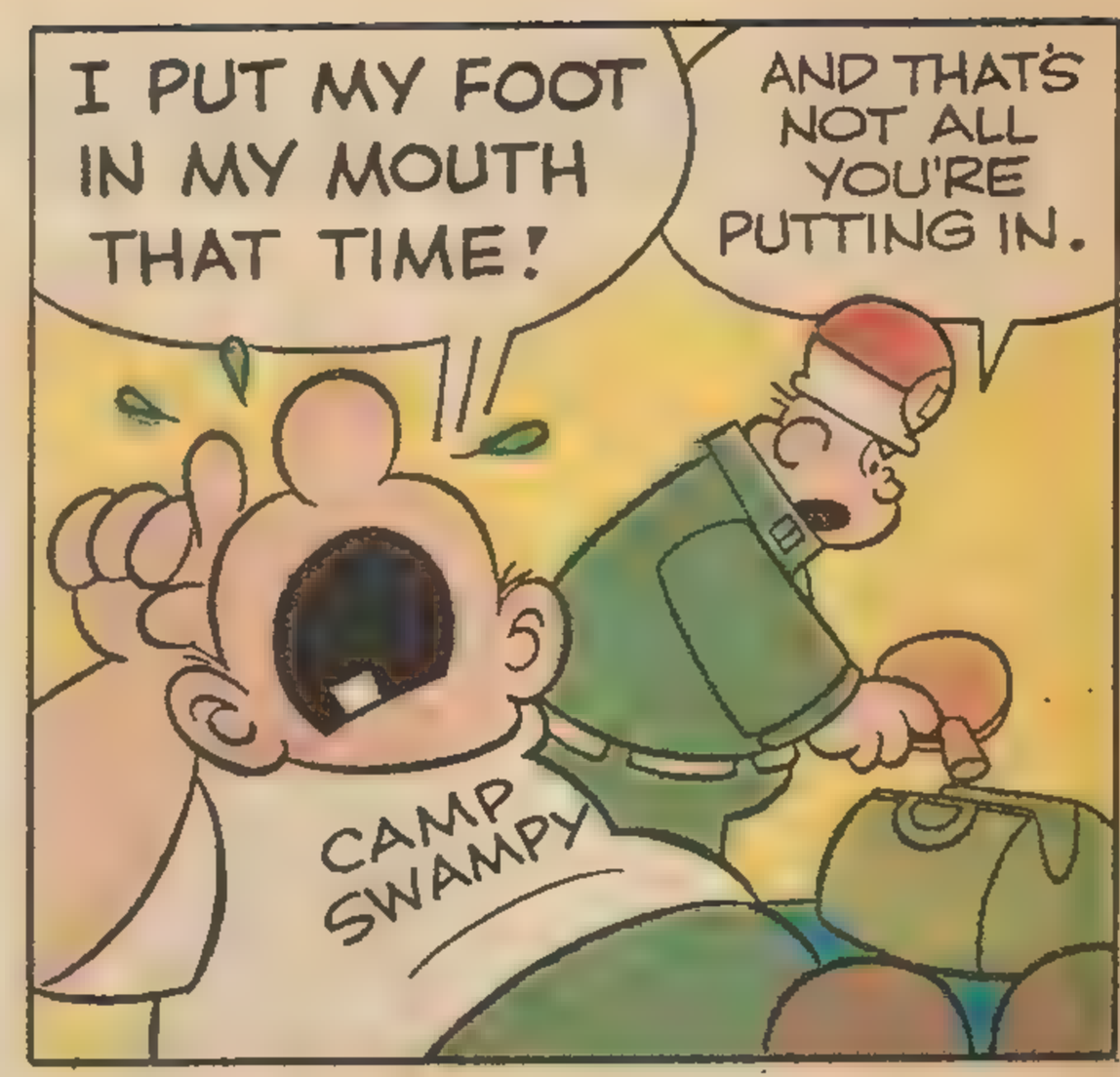
WITH BOTH HANDS AND ONE FOOT TIED BEHIND MY BACK!
AMAZING!
HOW DOES HE DO IT?


SOUNDS LIKE AN INTERESTING MATCH. LET'S GO SEE IT, MARTHA.

OF ALL THE STUPID THINGS TO SAY-AND ON RADIO!!
AW! PAY NO ATTENTION TO THAT! COSMO TRICKED ME INTO IT!
CAMP SWAMPY





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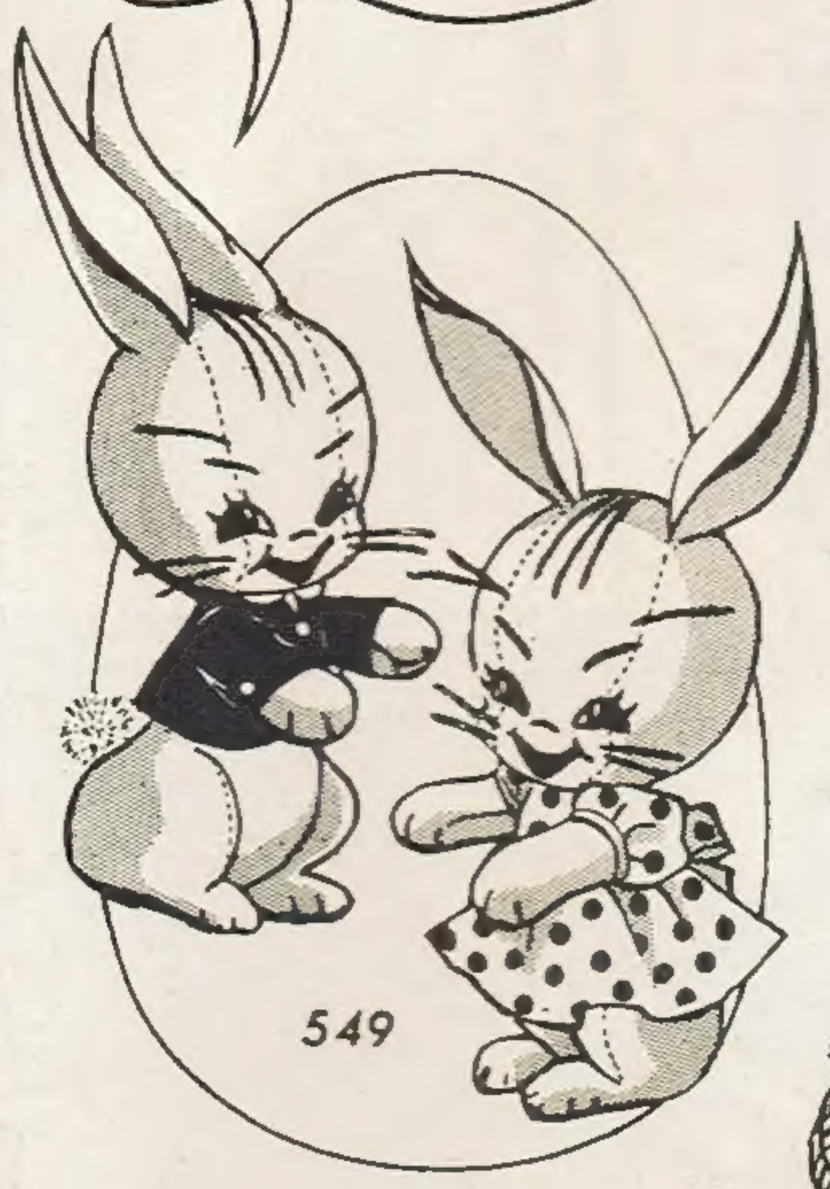

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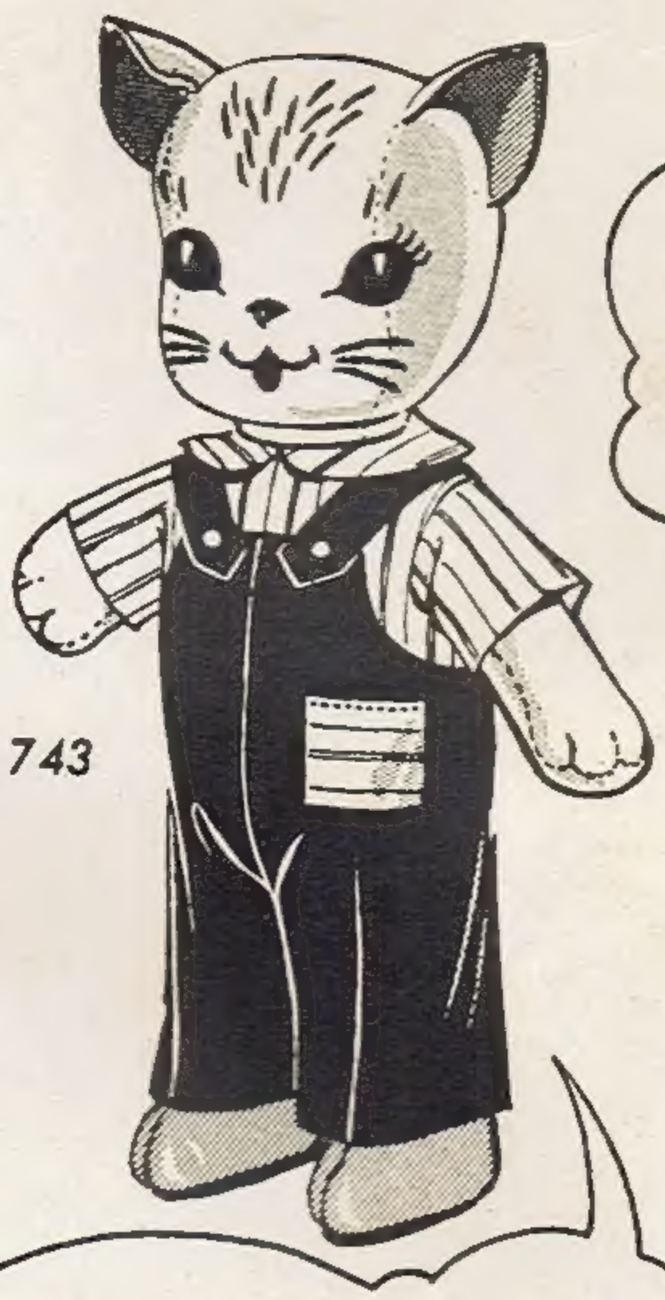

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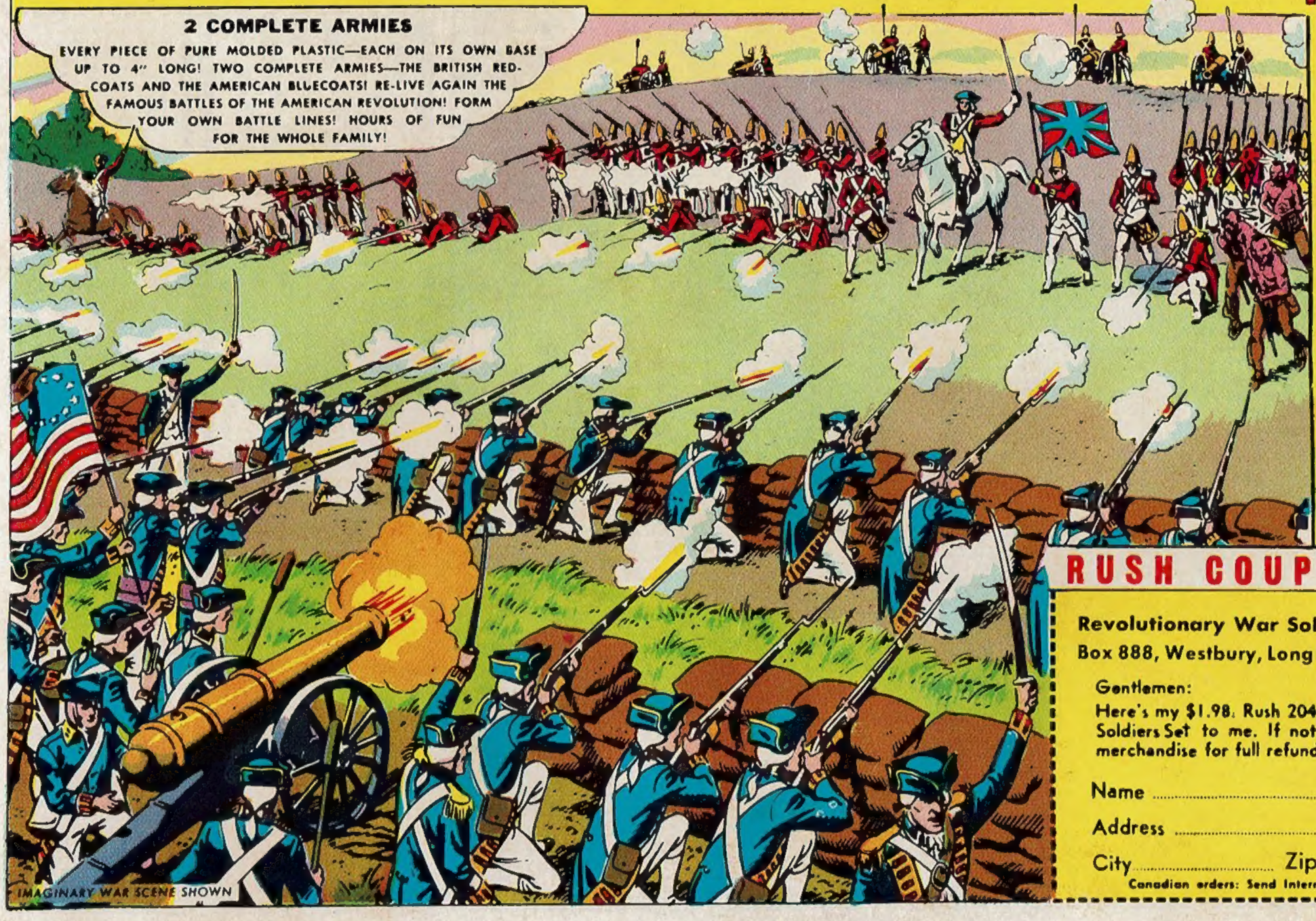

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